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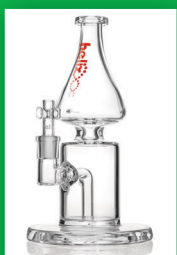
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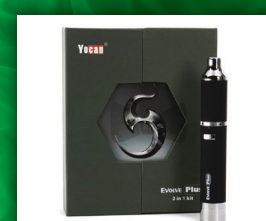
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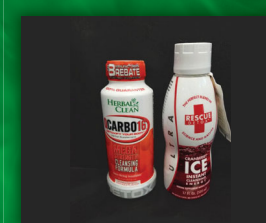
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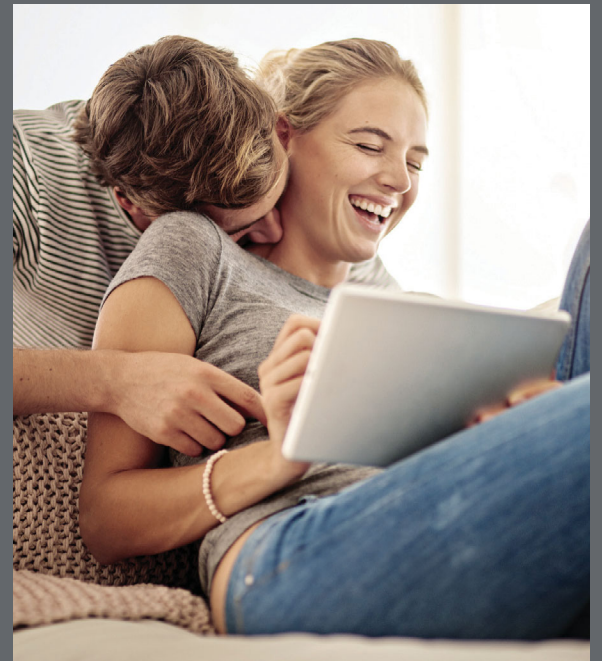
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MAY 12	DITA VON TEESE & THE COPPER COUPE BURLESQUE REVUE TOUR STATE THEATRE	OCT 2	JAMES BAY STATE THEATRE
MAY 13	TODD RUNDGREN'S UTOPIA STATE THEATRE	OCT 6	JOAN BAEZ STATE THEATRE
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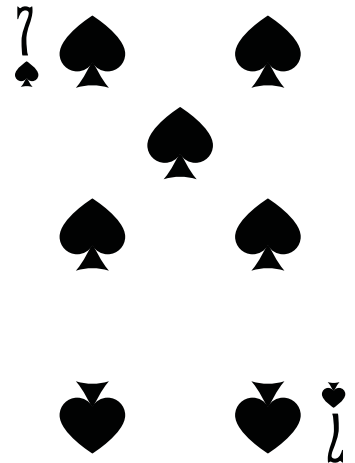
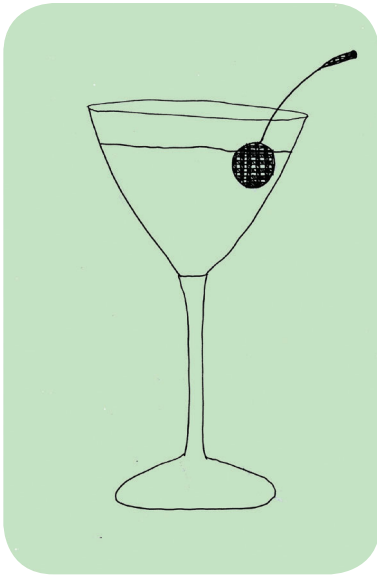


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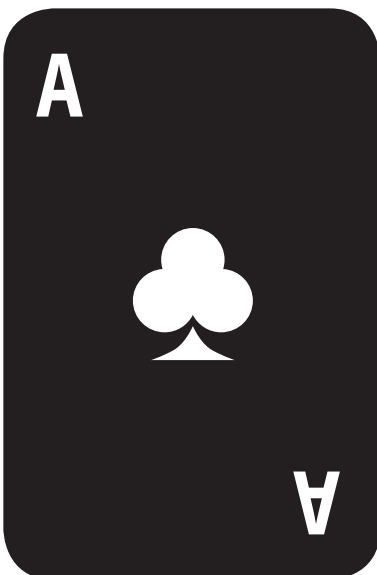
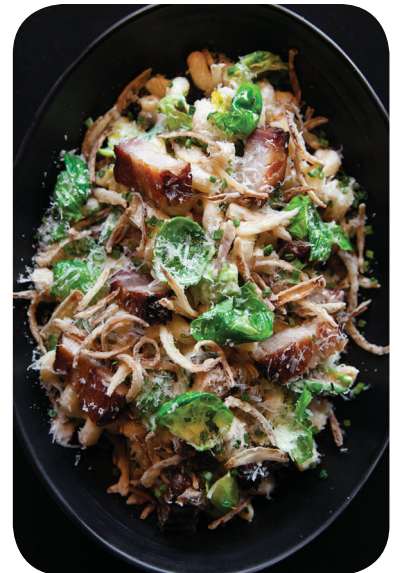
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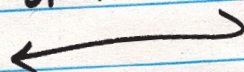
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WHAT'S THE BEST CONVERSATION YOU'VE OVERHEARD AT THE BAR: A guy was showing his friend nude pictures he was sending to girls.

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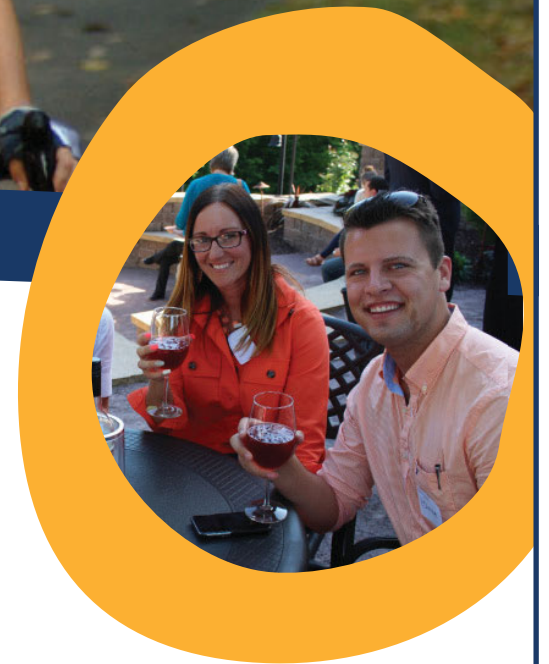
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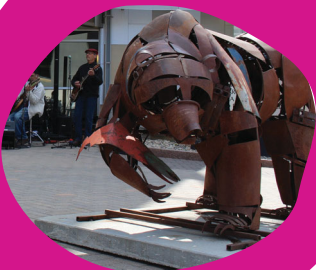


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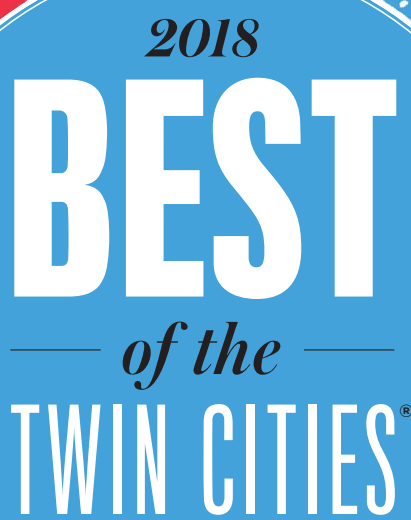
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 <p>JUNE 22</p> <p>JAMES TAYLOR</p>	 <p>JULY 1</p> <p>HARRY STYLES</p>	 <p>AUGUST 8</p> <p>CHARLIE PUTH</p>
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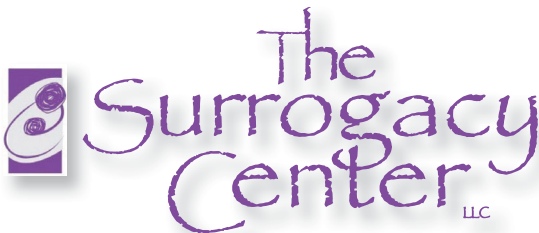


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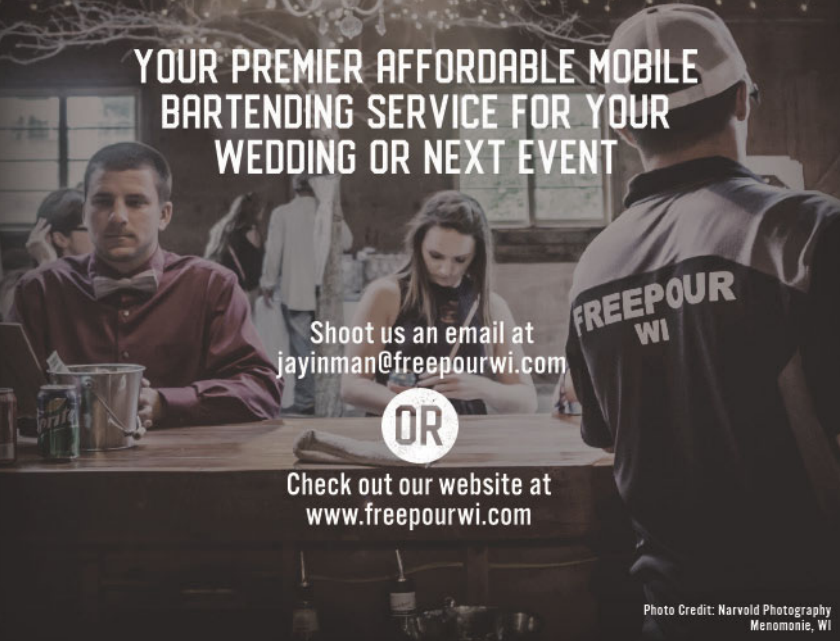


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Best Fashion Designer: Samantha Rei
Best Movie Theater: Showplace ICON Theatre at West End
Best Museum: Science Museum of Minnesota
Best Place to Buy Art Supplies: Blick Art Materials
Best Public Art: Minneapolis Sculpture Garden
Best Standup Comic: Jenn Schaal
Best Theater: Guthrie Theater

Music

Best Album: *Chime* by Dessa
Best Club DJ: DJ Shannon Blowtorch
Best Concert (Local Artist): Dessa with the Minnesota Orchestra
Best Concert (Touring): Bruno Mars at Xcel Energy Center
Best Concert Venue: First Avenue/7th St. Entry
Best Concert Venue to Close: Triple Rock Social Club
Best Hip-Hop Artist: Lizzo
Best Karaoke: Vegas Lounge
Best Music Festival: Basilica Block Party
Best New Band: The Shackletons
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Best Dance Club: First Avenue
Best Festival: Minnesota State Fair

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Food & Drink

Best Barbecue: Revival
Best Beer: Surly Furious
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Best Breakfast: Keys Cafe & Bakery
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Best Burger: Matt's Bar
Best Chinese Restaurant: Rainbow Chinese
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Best Coffee Shop: Spyhouse
Best Diner: Hi-Lo Diner
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Best Food Truck: World Street Kitchen
Best Fried Chicken: Revival
Best Fries: Barquette
Best Happy Hour: Red Cow
Best Ice Cream: Izzy's Ice Cream
Best Italian Restaurant: Cossetta
Best Korean Restaurant: The Rabbit Hole
Best Liquor Store: Surdyk's Liquor and Cheese Shop
Best Lunch: Cafe Latte
Best Margarita: Barrio
Best Mexican Restaurant: El Burrito Mercado
Best New Restaurant: J. Selby's
Best Pancakes: The Original Pancake House
Best Pizza: Pizza Lucé
Best Ramen: Ramen Kazama
Best Restaurant for Romance: W.A. Frost & Company
Best Restaurant in Minneapolis: Spoon and Stable
Best Restaurant in St. Paul: The Lexington
Best Restaurant in the 'Burbs: Travail Kitchen and Amusements
Best Service: Manny's Steakhouse
Best Sports Bar: Bunny's Bar & Grill
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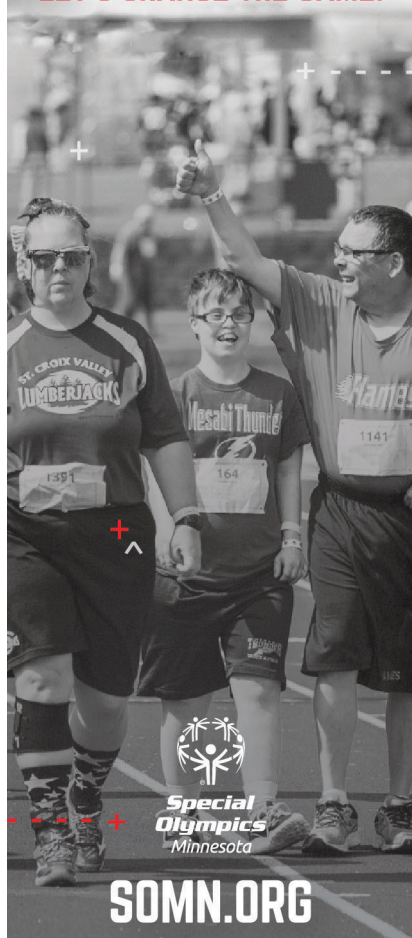
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Readers' Choice: Science Museum of Minnesota

Best Museum Exhibition

"Eyewitness Views: Making History in 18th-Century Europe"
Minneapolis Institute of Art, 2400 Third Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-870-3000
artsmia.org

In the 18th century, painters were commissioned to faithfully capture the grand occasions of the day with the idea that their work would live on to show future generations what it was like when these monumental social, religious, and natural events took place. The nearly 40 artworks that made up "Eyewitness Views" all document historical events from the 1700s, with large-scale paintings by Canaletto, Bellotto, Panini, and Guardi. The sheer scope of many of these pieces immediately draws the viewer into the scene, while the intricate attention to detail demonstrates just how much care the artists took to authentically replicate these moments. Panini's towering work, *The Musical Performance in the Teatro Argentina in Honor of the Marriage of the Dauphin*, on loan from the Louvre, formed the centerpiece of the exhibit, with the ornate theater and all the resplendent guests (including the artist himself) painstakingly painted in lush detail.

Best Art Gallery

The White Page
3400 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis
the-white-page.org

The White Page is an accessible public-facing gallery and an edgy, DIY, experimental arts venue all in one. Its residency model provides artists the luxury of space and time to create inside its walls, resulting in installations that reflect the magic that can happen when artists are given that freedom. The gallery has supported smart and probing talents from the Twin Cities (Mara Duvra, Sheila Wagner, Gudrun Lock), as well as visiting artists from other parts of the country (such as Portland's Maggie Heath). It has also hosted incredible performance events. This summer, Body Cartography took over for a sensory-rich experience of sound and darkness. It was one of the dance highlights of the year.

Readers' Choice: Soo Visual Arts Center

Best Gallery Exhibition

Julie Buffalohead
Bockley Gallery, 2123 W. 21st St., Minneapolis
612-377-4669
bockleygallery.com

Julie Buffalohead's point of view is intrepid, playful, and fiercely vulnerable. Much has been written about the *Scaffold* debacle, a playground-like piece representing the largest mass execution (38 Dakota men) in U.S. history, briefly installed at the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden. Yet Buffalohead's visual commentary is perhaps the most eloquent. At an exhibition at Bockley Gallery last fall, Buffalohead employed her sly subversion, creating a work that dwarfed the monumental scale of Sam Durant's ill-conceived structure and folded in the other iconic works of the park. Another piece of note featured dancing rabbits and a tutu-wearing coyote, frolicking below an upside-down American flag in front of an imposing sign that read: "You Are On Indian Land."

Best Public Art

United Crushers
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nearby Witch's Hat Tower. In the past year or so, it's had a little bit of a cultural moment, lending its name to both an album by local favorites Polica and a special-edition beer by Surly. In an era when there's been no shortage of new public artworks poised for Instagram stardom, *United Crushers* almost seems like a period piece. It's a throwback to an age just before social media, when getting the most eyeballs meant executing the largest, highest, and most prominently placed artwork possible. And there's not much that is larger, higher, and more prominent in the physical and historical life of Minneapolis than an abandoned grain elevator. The piece is a tribute to both insane risk-taking and the enduring power of a well-chosen handle.

**Readers' Choice: Minneapolis
Sculpture Garden**

Best Mural

CTUL Building
3715 Chicago Ave. S., Minneapolis
ctul.net

The Twin Cities' mural game is strong right now. You can't go too far in either city without spotting a colorful scene on the side of a business, garage, or other space (do those painted utility boxes count?). Some pay homage to home-grown icons, some welcome viewers to the neighborhood, and all of them brighten up our dismal winter landscape. Our favorite for now adorns a small building on a humble Chicago Avenue block, home to the Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha. The CTUL works to organize low-wage workers all over the

Twin Cities, and its membership and leadership are made up of those workers themselves. So is the portrait on the wall outside. The eye-popping mosaic-style painting with a sunny yellow background depicts Alexis Collins, a young mom, fast-food employee, and activist. She's holding a microphone, advocating for better wages, better conditions, a better life for working people like herself. We like the art and the message.

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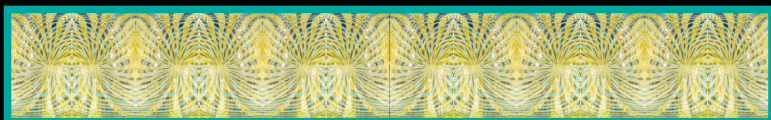
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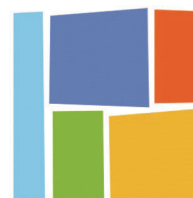
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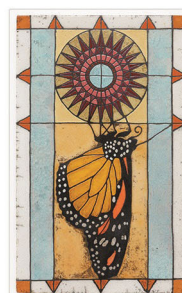
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Fashion Week MN
fashionweekmn.com

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rity comics or up-and-comers. Since 1991, the club has become legendary on the comedy scene; acclaimed national and local acts like Maria Bamford, Dana Gould, Hannibal Buress, and Ali Wong have graced its trademark marquee-lit, red-curtained stage. With an underground cave atmosphere, no drink minimum, and a dress code so lax it's literally "you need to wear clothes," Acme is a great place to go when you want to hide in a crowd, forget your troubles, and have a few good laughs.

Readers' Choice: Acme Comedy Co.

Best Open Mic (Comedy)

The Comedy Corner Underground
1501 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis
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comedycornerunderground.com

Lately, more and more comics are quick to shout out Comedy Corner Underground as the place they were able to grow as performers. CCU has carved out a reputation as the scrappy-but-mighty DIY club that supports lesser-known, alternative, and new local comics. Each week newcomers, regulars, and major names on the cusp of blowing up hit the basement stage to try out material, work on bits, or just get their awkward first time out of the way. With about 20 spots available each week, what was once an intimate comedy affair has turned into anywhere between 50 and 70 performers elbowing for stage time on any given night. That said, the club is great about giving new people a shot, and because it's run by comics, it has a vibe that makes performers and fans alike feel like they're part of the cool kids' club.

Readers' Choice: Acme Comedy Co.

Best Local Standup

Ali Sultan

Ali Sultan is everywhere these days. He is an emcee at Acme Comedy Co. and House of Comedy, opening for some of the biggest national names in standup. He's also a regular fixture at smaller rooms across the state, including the Red Sea Bar in Minneapolis, Dubh Linn Brew Pub in Duluth, and the Local Blend in St. Joseph. In his standup, the Yemen-born Sultan does an incredible job of blending personal experiences from his upbringing with thoughts on culture and the daily grind of a young dude trying to survive the bullshit of life. He got a massive boost in visibility when he was featured on Kevin Hart's *Hart of the City*

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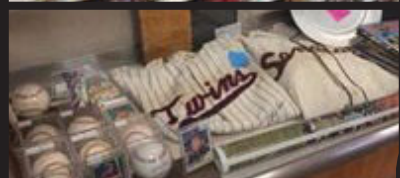
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Readers' Choice: Jenn Schaal

Best Local Comedy Podcast

Profession Confession
with Gabe Noah

professionconfession.com

What's the grossest thing you've ever experienced as a stripper? How does someone begin the process of robbing a bank? Do gang members have family picnics? These are just a few of the questions that local comedian Gabe Noah has asked guests on his hilarious, captivating, and sometimes cringe-worthy podcast. Since launching *Profession Confession* last spring, Noah has built a national audience of comedy fans and curious listeners by airing first-hand accounts of some of the seediest, scariest, and strangest career and lifestyle choices ever. Each episode Noah, one of the most consistently funny comedians in Minneapolis, sits down with a different guest, sometimes speaking under terms of anonymity. Drug traffickers, porn stars, crime-scene cleaners, and a dominatrix have all shared their stories. He's often joined by his comedy pals, who ask all those questions you're dying to know the answers to.

Best Movie Theater

Trylon Cinema
2820 E. 33rd St., Minneapolis
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trylon.org

Last year, Trylon Cinema closed briefly to spend \$180,000 on much-needed renovations (most of the funds came from savings from years of successful screenings). In September, the theater reopened with flashy new seats, a new lobby (featuring a massive popcorn maker!), added accessibility for people with special needs, and a courtyard. It also nearly doubled in capacity, going from 50 to 91 seats. This all makes for even more enjoyable evenings at the venue, which offers film series and selections you won't find anywhere else in Minnesota. That includes kung fu hits, golden-era Hollywood movies, rare music documentaries, B-horror flicks, and, thanks to monthly sessions with Trash Film Debauchery, really weird films that time forgot. Tickets are usu-

ally \$8 for a screening, making this an affordable trip to the theater.

Readers' Choice: Showplace ICON Theatre at West End

Best Author

Bao Phi
baophi.com

Bao Phi is kicking butt on the literary front. The Vietnam-born, Phillips neighborhood-raised, Macalester-educated author is a finalist in two categories for the Minnesota Book Awards this year: one for his debut children's book, *A Different Pond*, and another for his second collection of poems, *Thousand Star Hotel*. He also recently nabbed the prestigious Charlotte Zolotow Award for best picture book in the country. Beyond his unique talents and perspective, what makes Phi's writing so endearing is his humility and honesty. Whether he's admitting a parenting flub on Facebook or calling out racism in his hometown, you never get anything less than the brutal truth, told beautifully.

Best Book (Nonfiction)

First Avenue:
Minnesota's Mainroom

Longtime Star Tribune music critic Chris Riemenschneider takes an affectionate and thoroughly researched look at the history of First Avenue. In addition to highlighting some of the most memorable performances to take place within its formidable black walls, Riemenschneider does a commendable job of giving credit to those tireless workers behind the scenes who have played a crucial role in the success of Minnesota's most beloved nightclub. The book is augmented by artifacts and ephemera drawn from the Minnesota Historical Society, as well as stylish photographs of the music fans and performers who have helped fill the room over the years. While Prince's legendary performances at the venue are deservedly given plenty of attention, Riemenschneider illustrates that First Ave is far more than just the club that Prince built. Reading *First Avenue: Minnesota's Mainroom* is the next best thing to seeing a show there.

Best Book (Fiction)

Gone to Dust
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time Minnesotan Matt Goldman. The story follows down-on-his-luck private investigator Nils Shapiro as he pursues an elusive killer who murdered a newly divorced mother in Edina. Police politics and a terrorist group muck up Shapiro's investigation, as does his on-again, off-again relationship. The hyper-local book includes landmarks like Matt's Bar, the Cedar Cultural Center, and the Chain of Lakes—as well as driving directions as Shapiro traces his suspect's every move. This Scandinavian noir page-turner proved so popular that Goldman already has a second novel, *Broken Ice*, set for release this summer, and a third for 2019.

Best Bookstore (New)

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Readers' Choice: Wild Rumpus

Best Bookstore (Used)

Uncle Hugo's
 2864 Chicago Ave. S., Minneapolis
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unclehugos.com

The interior of Uncle Hugo's is itself almost a piece of science fiction. It's as if Borges wondered: What would a bookstore constructed completely from books look like? Though the shop also carries plenty of new titles, the used books section of Uncle Hugo's is lined with paperbacks from Adams, Douglas to Zahn, Timothy. Not just on the shelves—and even there, books can run up to three layers deep—but also in boxes overhead, and lining the edges of the floor. Uncle Hugo's has been in the used-book trade since 1974, making it one of the oldest sci-fi bookstores in the country, and you can find paperbacks dating back at least that far and well beyond. Way before speculative fiction was lighting up the bestsellers and awards, Uncle Hugo's was doing in-store readings with the likes of Octavia Butler. Plus, there's usually at least one snoozing dog in those stacks somewhere, rounding out the perfect used-bookstore experience.

Readers' Choice: Half Price Books

Best Actor

Zack Myers

When Zack Myers first walked onstage in Mixed Blood Theatre's *How to Use a Knife*, he was a silent presence. His new boss (Michael Booth) yakked and yakked, while Myers waited and glowered. You could see that he was thinking—and seething. Eventually, you knew, he would explode. Myers brought tre-

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mendous gravity and empathy to his role as Chef George in that play, and then did the same when he returned to Mixed Blood as Christopher's dad in *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*. He's an actor who makes you believe something's truly at stake.

Best Actress

Maeve Moynihan

Maeve Moynihan first gained local fame in childhood, starring in shows at the Children's Theatre Company and the Guthrie Theater. She graduated from the University of Minnesota/Guthrie BFA program in 2016, and she's emerged as a riveting and versatile actor. Even though the productions she appeared in last year proved uneven, she brought energy, precision, and good humor to every role she played. From the ribald farce of Gremlin's *Don't Dress for Dinner* to the high tragedy of Park Square's *Hamlet*, Moynihan crafts standout performances that should never be missed.

Best Director

Laura Leffler

Savage Umbrella's artistic director Laura Leffler takes actors and audiences out of their comfort zones, crafting productions that have a unique sense of emotional honesty. Her company has also built an admirable practice of revisiting past productions, trying new approaches with new casts and spaces. This year Leffler led remounts of *The Awakening* and *Ex-Gays*, with the latter gaining gut-wrenching new life in a production so intimate it felt like you were eavesdropping. Few local directors have such a consistent gift for pushing their actors and creative teams to new heights every time.

Best Play

Annie

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With the Orpheum now landing the lion's share of big touring shows, the Ordway is investing in large-scale original productions of classic musicals. For the holiday production of *Annie*, the theater hit its stride with a show that put a smile on your face and kept it there for scene after scene. The musical's classic songs took flight as director Austene Van infused the familiar story with boundless reserves



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Best Theater Troupe

Sheep Theater

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Sheep Theater started 2017 as a quirky little crew. They ended the year as a quirky little crew that couldn't be ignored. *The Good Boy and the Kid* turned Red Eye's stage into a metaphysical wrestling ring, and their *Pinocchio* proved one of the Fringe Festival's most distinctive shows, centering on Robb Goetzke's unnerving yet hilarious performance as the title character. Their annual holiday show is a sprawling comic detective story that adds an absurd new installment every year. Sheep Theater's members describe their style as "deranged sincerity," which is so crazy it just might work. In fact, it totally does.

Best Theater

Penumbra Theatre

270 N. Kent St., St. Paul
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penumbra theatre.org

This year, Penumbra Theatre saw its first major leadership transition, when Sarah Bellamy succeeded her father, company founder Lou Bellamy, as artistic director. It was immediately clear that the transition is allowing Penumbra to push forward into new territory while retaining everything that's made it great. Bellamy helmed a wrenching *Wedding Band* and an exuberant *Wiz*, while May Adrales directed the vital original musical *Girl Shakes Loose*. If Penumbra keeps this up, its local and national stature will only grow.

Readers' Choice: Guthrie Theater

Best Dance Performance

Morgan Thorson's *Still Life*

In the most recent iteration of Morgan Thorson's ongoing project, *Still Life*, the dancers were instructed to "kill the choreography." In a prior version, the work was performed in the Weisman Art Museum galleries for hours as onlookers milled about. This time, patrons were seated on the Cowles Center stage in the round, with the dancers moving in lines or in patterns at the center. For 90 minutes, a thrilling choreographic amalgamation took place: bits of yoga and pilates, everyday movements like

walking and miming a smoke, balletic Nijinsky-ian jumps, moves from children's games, risky and raw solo dancing, and ensemble work such as cheerleading. It was lush, articulate, fresh, and inventive, and it breathed new life into old dance practices.

Best Choreographer

Marcus Jarrell Willis
for TU Dance

Sensible Existence by Marcus Jarrell Willis was a thrilling deep dive into choreographic consciousness. A former member of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, Willis created the work for TU Dance, whose founders (Toni Pierce-Sands and Uri Sands) also danced with Ailey. Reportedly inspired by Descartes' writings on self and the world, the work seamlessly demonstrated the mind-body connection inherent to intelligent choreography. Set to Steve Reich's *The Desert Music*, the work has a European sensibility replete with painterly lighting, a penchant for tableaux, and a sense of mystery afloat with gestural questing. Amid the fluid abstraction was a quietly pulsing joy, balanced with a tiny tantrum and moments of clenched agony. Curiosity got kicked into motion with the flick of a head. Here was grace and timelessness presented with deceptive, yet intoxicating simplicity.

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Best Vocalist

Stokley
istokley.com

Almost 30 years into his career, Minneapolis native and former Mint Condition lead singer/drummer Stokley Williams—now just Stokley—finally made his proper solo debut in 2017 with *Introducing Stokley*. And consistently across the album's 15 songs, Stokley remained inventive with his buttery vocal stylings. Notably, there's his propulsive confidence on album opener "Level," his sweeping grace on "Think About U," his nimble hooks on "Cross the Line," and the chemistry he generates with the British singer Estelle on their duet "U & I." Throughout, the 50-year-old Stokley consistently brings the energy and finesse of an R&B star half his age.

Best Songwriter

Dylan Hicks
dylan-hicks.bandcamp.com

Sometimes you get better as you get older—or at least some people do. A fixture on the local music scene in the '90s, Dylan Hicks set songwriting aside in the decade following to hone his wordcraft as an arts journalist and novelist. By the

time he returned in 2012 with *Sings Boling Greene*, a collection of wry, warm vignettes, he could shape a fully three-dimensional character in just a handful of well-chosen phrases and details, and he laced those fine-tuned lyrics into the kind of melodies that tuck themselves indelibly into the tune-bank of your mind. Hicks' 2017 album, *Ad Out*, was even sharper—dig how briskly and economically this quatrain captures the sweep on an entire life: "Our knees were strong, our sweaters torn/And soon we bought a Baby Bjorn/I put away my flugelhorn/My jokes perhaps they got shopworn."

Best Live Artist

Hippo Campus
hippocampusband.com

Right now, Hippo Campus are the biggest band in Minnesota. Over the past two years, the young Woodbury indie-poppers have brought the music from their terrific debut full-length, *landmark*, to some of the most celebrated festivals around the world, and that experience has tightened the band's live show, resulting in a brisk, rousing show of force. The quartet's rollicking, riff-driven music has taken on added textures and complexities live, making their tunes even richer and more dynamic than on their album. And their

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Best Stage Style

Dizzy Fae

soundcloud.com/dizzy-fae

Every time Dizzy Fae takes the stage, she's dressed to impress. Her style is as distinctive and striking as her smooth, R&B-tinged vocals, and her wardrobe is as varied and progressive as the artists she's performed with—the Internet, Kehlani, Poliça, Empress Of, Psymun, Su Na, and Jorja Smith, to name just a few. The student of TU Dance and St. Paul Conservatory for Performing Arts colorfully blends myriad influences into both her music and her appearance: Dizzy can get glammed up to the nines one night and still stun in just a T-shirt and leather pants the next, depending on the vibe of the room and the mood of the music. But no matter what the evening holds, Dizzy Fae reveals herself as an artist who truly understands fashion as a form of self-expression.

Best Album

Down So Long

by Greg Grease

greazygreg.bandcamp.com

An integral member of the funk collective Astralblak (formerly named Zulu-Zuluu), Greg Grease stepped out on his own last September with his brilliant solo record, *Down So Long*. It's a heady blend of smoothed-out soul, funky jams, and smoky R&B, with guest contributions from Psymun, Jayanthi Kyle, Mike Mictlan, DJ Just Nine, and Javier Santiago, as well as Astralblak's Proper-T, Trelly Mo, and Art Parté. Throughout, Greg's astute, socially conscious raps offer a penetrating study of the burdens and blessings of urban life, whether he's questioning the drive for material wealth, blasting unchecked police brutality, or celebrating the strength and inspiration that can be drawn from family and friends.

Readers' Choice: *Chime* by Dessa

Best Album Cover

A Sheik's Legacy

by Thomas Abban

thomasabban.com

A Sheik's Legacy, the debut album from Thomas Abban, arrived with black, white, and gray artwork that shows the phenomenal Minneapolis singer/multi-instru-

mentalist (and 2017 City Pages Picked to Click winner) from the chest up, shirtless, his shoulders and neck covered in cryptic markings, a star beneath his right eye. It was a striking introduction to a striking new artist, suiting the emphasis Abban places on the visual aspect of his artistry. And the dark, blank space on the cover also suggests the mystery at the heart of Abban's music, which ranges from tender acoustic folk to stomping blues-rock, with classical- and jazz-influenced guitar work thrown in for good measure.

Best Single

"SGL" by Now, Now

nownowmusic.com

After an extended hiatus, Now, Now re-emerged with one of the catchiest songs of their career. Breezy and vibrant, "SGL" captures the breathless vulnerability of new love, evoking carefree summer days spent cruising in your car with the windows down, stopping only to make out with your shotgun lover. Brad Hale's crisp production and atmospheric flourishes give the song a pulsating heart, while Cacie Dalager's tremulous vocals suggest a suitor who wants to take her relationship to the next level, no matter how much her heart is exposed. Hearing this song ring out in the fresh summer air at the Minnesota State Fair was one of the best musical moments of 2017, and here's hoping that Now, Now build on this momentum with their long-awaited follow-up album to 2012's *Threads*.

Best Cover Song

"Hi Bich (FreeWifi Trap Remix)" by FreeWifi

Before 2017, Danielle Bregoli was best known as the flesh-and-blood meme who confronted Dr. Phil with the all-too-unforgettable catchphrase "cash me outside, how 'bout dat?" Signed to Atlantic as rapper Bhad Babie, the mouthy teen dropped "Hi Bich," one of those obnoxious fame-grabs that stumbles on a kind of idiot genius in spite of itself, thanks largely to a beat from Soundcloud-rap producer-of-the-moment Ronny J. But what if you could throw Babie out and keep the bathwater? Well, that's what FreeWifi, maybe the hottest up-and-coming rap crew in town, did here. J. Plaza, Daddy Dinero, and Tha Rift parade their engaging personalities over the "Hi Bich" beat, serving up appealing appetizer for their 2018 full-length, *Connected*. Yeah, it's billed as a remix, but we're calling it a "cover song." If you got a problem with that, you can cash us outside.

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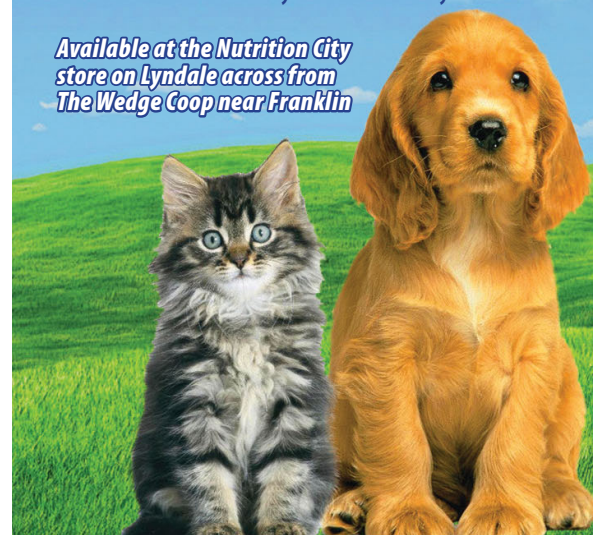
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Best Hip-Hop Verse

"Dear Black Son"
by Brother Ali

brotherali.bandcamp.com

It's almost as if the entirety of Minneapolis rapper Brother Ali's 20-year career has been leading up to the profoundly sad yet beautiful "Dear Black Son," a highlight from last year's *All the Beauty in This Whole Life*. The song shares a premise with Ta-Nehisi Coates' celebrated *Between the World and Me*: Ali raps as though reciting a letter to his son Faheem, reflecting on his deep understanding of his son from infancy to manhood. The deeply loving second verse is ultimately even more powerful than the ominous first, with Ali rapping, "All I can do is wonder how can anyone not love you?" It all amounts to one of the most important songs in Ali's already impressive catalog.

Best Earworm

"Know About It"
by Allan Kingdom

soundcloud.com/allankindom

Among Allan Kingdom's signature attributes is the inventive way the St. Paul MC melodically warps rapping and singing until they're all but indistinguishable, and on "Know About It," the lead single from Kingdom's long-anticipated debut album, *LINES*, his hooks and changes in flow result in great hip-hop songwriting. Many of *LINES*' better-known songs had boosts from guests, but "Know About It" is Allan in all of his solo glory, with a kaleidoscopic beat—co-produced by one of 2017's breakout beatmakers, New Jersey's Ronny J—that helps take this track over the top.

Best EP

Saran Rap by Muja Messiah

manbitesdogrecs.bandcamp.com

Saran Rap is a match made in indie hip-hop heaven, pairing veteran Minneapolis MC Muja Messiah with New York underground fixture Roc Marciano, who produced the entire EP (save for the beatless "Crackapella") and added a verse to the lead single "You Haven't Lived." Over Roc's swirling soul and jazz loops, Muja brings word-drunk Southside swagger and hilarious off-hand references. Both artists are in top form, and the EP also benefits from assists by the likes of Guilty Simpson and Oh No (indie stalwarts from Detroit and Southern California, respectively). Though it runs a mere 18

minutes, *Saran Rap* is an essential entry in the prolific Muja's catalog.

Best Music Compilation

The Greatest of All-Time #2

forgedartifacts.bandcamp.com

The second installment in Minneapolis label Forged Artifacts' ongoing rock-comp series lives up to the high standard of its predecessor, collecting 18 unreleased songs from as many Twin Cities bands (none of whom appeared on *Vol. 1*). The tracks range across genres, from garage rock to dream pop (and even Murf's hard-core blitz "I'd Buy That for a Dollar!" thrown in for good measure), but they're consistently punchy and infectious. Highlights come from Fury Things ("I Went Away"), What Tyrants ("Rainmaker"), and Cheap Fantasy ("Ain't Hard"), but everything here is worth your time. To boot, all proceeds benefit the ACLU and Minneapolis nonprofit music school Hopewell North.

Best Record Label

Rhymesayers Entertainment
rhymesayers.com

Every year is eventful for Minneapolis-based indie-rap institution Rhymesayers Entertainment (est. 1995), but in the past 12 months or so, the label showcased its present and past accomplishments, and the extent of its reach beyond Minnesota, with particular flair. Three new LPs strengthened RSE's relevance in the underground rap landscape, even after all these years: Brother Ali's poignant return *All the Beauty in This Whole Life*, Seattle MC Grieves' reliably introspective *Running Wild*, and West Coast lifer Evidence's masterfully traditional *Weather or Not*. Meanwhile, reissues of Atmosphere's groundbreaking 1997 debut, *Overcast!*, and Brother Ali's *The Undisputed Truth* (the one with "Uncle Sam Goddamn") reminded hip-hop heads of the label's enduring legacy.

Best Song to Cry To

"Sometimes I'm Alright"
by Charlie Parr

charlieparr.com

Raw, unguarded emotions course through Charlie Parr's excellent new record, *Dog*. The Duluth roots and blues singer-songwriter lays bare his struggle with depression and his fight to suppress suicidal thoughts throughout the album, and he illuminates that delicate balance perfectly on the tender confessional "Sometimes

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I'm Alright." Parr's spare banjo work gives the song an anguished warmth, while his quivering vocal expresses the song's fraught and fragile emotional core. When Parr sings "Sometimes I'm alright/ Another time it's hard to tell/Like finding light/In the bottom of the darkest well," it's as though we're receiving an unexpectedly thorough and soul-searching response to the small-talk staple question, "How are you?"

Best Song to Have Sex To

"Warbanger" by Beasthead
feat. Ghostmeat
beasthead.bandcamp.com

Nothing unlocks your hormones quite like a fat bass line. Just ask your older brother, who was unapologetically conceived during a spin of *Physical Graffiti*. Minneapolis electronica band Beasthead are proud stewards of the '70s fuck jam, and the sweaty, throbbing moodmaker "Warbanger" utterly derails their May EP *I Owe You for This* three tracks in. The song heaves with short, thick guitar riffs and just-above-a-moan vocals before Glow Mechanics rapper Ghostmeat bursts onto the track with a maniacal verse to close the deal. Just try to get through a listen without reaching for your phone to sext your latest Tinder match.

Best Rock Band

Bruise Violet
bruiseviolet.bandcamp.com
Bruise Violet arrived on the Twin Cities music scene kicking and screaming. The

teen garage-punk trio's talent, attitude, and charm landed them in second place in City Pages' 2015 Picked to Click poll and helped 'em nab our Best New Band award the following year, and their profile has only grown since. Last year, they played a scorching gig at Rock the Garden and released the raucous EP *Trophy Wife* in April. Bruise Violet's tempestuous, take-no-shit approach to songwriting inspires young music fans while capturing the attention and respect of old-school local musicians who know they'd better step up their game or risk getting left in the dust.

Readers' Choice: Hippo Campus

Best Metal Band

Feral Light
ferallight.bandcamp.com

Feral Light's savage black-metal din has been shaking up the Twin Cities music scene since 2015. Guitarist/vocalist Andy Schoengrund has a prodigious metal pedigree, having played in Wolvhammer, Empires, and Manetheren; drummer Andrew Reesen once propelled Senser. But their work together as Feral Light is a forceful step forward, blending the ferocity of black metal with the untethered energy of crust punk. That fierce combination coalesced perfectly on their intense 2017 LP, *Void/Sanctify*, which features six sprawling but tightly wound sonic excursions that illuminate the darkness that lies within our souls, while also giving listeners something to fear when the shadows of endless night ultimately descend.

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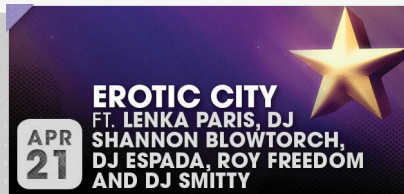
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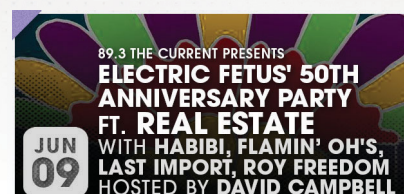
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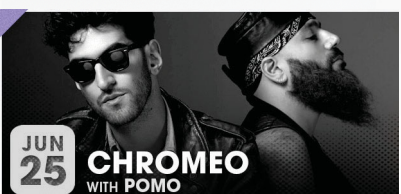
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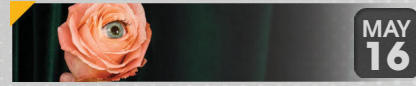


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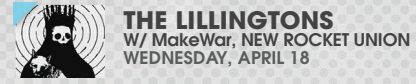


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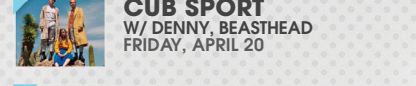
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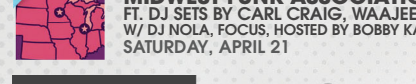
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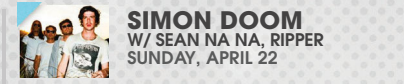
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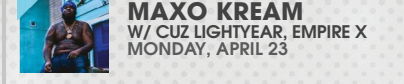
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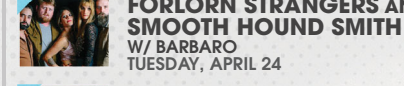
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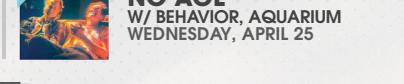
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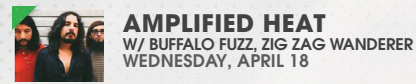
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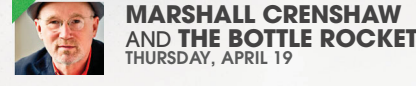
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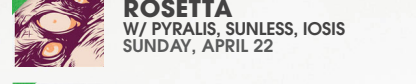
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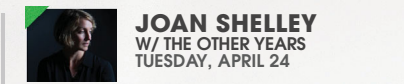
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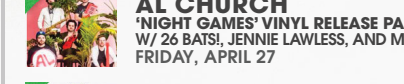
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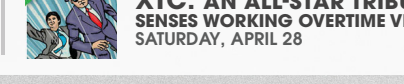
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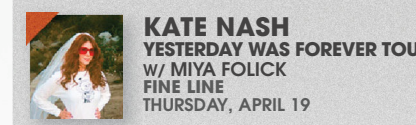


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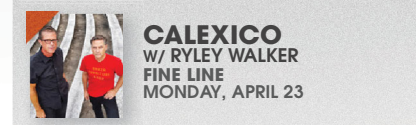


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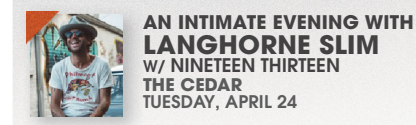
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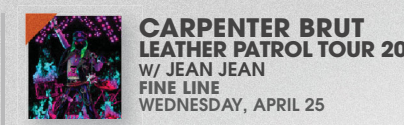
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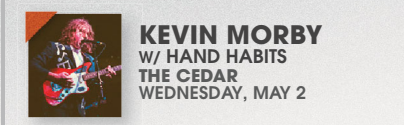
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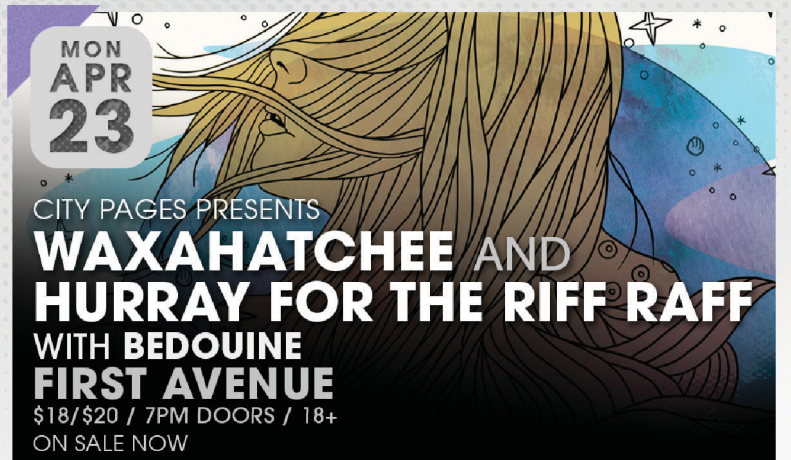


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Best Hip-Hop Artist

Dwynell Roland

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In 2016, we called Dwynell Roland “Minnesota’s most relatable rapper,” and he spent the ensuing year proving that he was so much more than that. Effusive and playful, Roland captured the hearts of Minnesotans while putting together an inimitable statline. Not only did he feature at Rock the Garden, but he also headlined a Go 95.3 showcase, delivered a sizzling verse on “Pieces/Ruins” from P.O.S.’s *Chill, Dummy*, and finished fourth in our Picked to Click poll. Roland is currently running around the Midwest with Prof’s Stophouse group, sharpening his skills for yet another career-sparking run in 2018.

Readers’ Choice: Lizzo

Best Hip-Hop Producer

Topper Atwood

soundcloud.com/topperatwood

Allan Kingdom, Spencer Joles, FreeWiFi, Student 1, GainesFM—each of these notable local MCs has leaned on the dependable beat-making of Topper Atwood. The Minneapolis producer’s ear for bleeding-edge hip-hop trends, coupled with a respect for the classics, has made him the most sought-after local talent behind the boards. Finding Novyon’s “Purple Lambo” is a perfect example of the transformative music Atwood provides his collaborators. Atwood gives Novy a beachy slurry of sounds, and the usually punchy MC loses himself in a grimy nether realm. Producers may be undersung in the world of local hip-hop, but the value Topper Atwood brings to the table is undeniable.

Best Jazz Artist

The Bad Plus

thebadplus.com

Last April, the Bad Plus’ founding pianist, Ethan Iverson, announced that 2017 would be his last year with the veteran Minneapolis jazz trio. By the time he finished out the year playing in the Bad Plus’ annual Christmastime shows at the Dakota Jazz Club, replacement pianist Orrin Evans was fully on board. January’s *Never Stop II*, the sequel to the Bad Plus’ 2010 album, features all original material, including four songs by bassist Reid Anderson, two by drummer Dave King, and two by Evans. A single listen to this recording turned out to be more than enough to dispel any fear that the

new lineup wouldn’t recapture the original’s magic.

Best R&B Artist

Lady Lark

theladylark.com

A soft touch goes a long way, and no local musician has a softer touch than Taylor Harris. Operating under the stage name Lady Lark, Harris has charmed all comers with her effusive, sentimental vocals. Her 2017 EP, *Love*, announced Lark’s intentions to seduce the Twin Cities one sweet ballad at the time, and that debut was good enough to land Lady Lark in City Pages’ annual Picked to Click poll. But 2018’s follow-up full-length will likely prove that Lark’s No. 10 spot was a total underestimation.

Readers’ Choice: Lizzo

Best Club DJ

Centrifig

soundcloud.com/centrifig

The two parties that Steven Seuling, also known as Centrifig, promotes at downtown Minneapolis’ Pourhouse—the spring-summer Communion and fall-winter Black Mass—are the most reliable indicators of up-and-coming dance-DJ talent in the city. They also keep him busy, which means that Centrifig has been spinning less frequently than he might. But when he does, he puts on a master class. Take the set he spun last November 17, his 43rd birthday. It’s a dark, moody, and engrossing four-hour set, uploaded in two parts on Soundcloud as “1974.” It’s the kind of set you can get lost in—and the kind of set Centrifig specializes in.

Readers’ Choice: DJ Shannon Blowtorch

Best Event Promoter

Dark Energy

facebook.com/darkenergympls

There was real excitement when Minneapolis promoters Dark Energy—whose first-Saturday monthly at the Kitty Cat Klub is one of the best parties in town—announced that they would host NYE at St. Paul’s four-story Dearing Mansion. It went off with élan, though the bash got the building’s owner into some hot water with the city of St. Paul. This was the culmination of a creative year for Dark Energy: Led by DJ Grant Mayland, they also put on a goth cruise last summer (followed by a notably wild after-party), as well as the festive Vampire’s Ball in First Avenue’s Mainroom; more

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recently they brought Detroit electro duo ADULT. to the Entry. That mix of shows and parties comes stamped with a distinct sensibility and a commitment to quality.

Best Band to Break Up

STNNNG

stnnng.bandcamp.com

How fitting that a band who never quite got their due here at home didn't even headline their last show. After releasing their final album, *Veterans of Pleasure*, in April, STNNNG played a few fiery gigs around town before bowing out with a no frills, no excuses opening set for Oxbow at the Skyway in September. But the experimental noise-rock quintet always seemed to revel in their underrated, outsider status, obliterating the expectations of music fans with their volatile live shows, and ensuring that everyone who saw them play was either converted by their twisted charms or frightened to their core.

Best Acoustic Performer

Chastity Brown

chastitybrownmusic.com

Chastity Brown is a perfectionist. The Minneapolis-based, Tennessee-bred

singer-songwriter, acoustic guitarist, and banjoist scrapped the first version of her latest album, *Silhouette of Sirens*, saying that her process of recording vocals and instrumentation separately resulted in something less than her desired sound. "It wasn't bad, it just wasn't what you get at a live show," Brown told City Pages, and that live feeling is something she deeply values. The corrected album, the 35-year-old's first for the St. Paul folk label Red House Records and fifth overall, is a remarkable blend of folk, country, and soul, all rooted in Brown's lifelong, bone-deep appreciation of Americana. It's as honest, intimate, and cohesive as a Chastity Brown concert—and that's no small praise.

Best Band Name

Crepuscular

Kristina Dahl is elusive. She seems to emerge only at dusk and to retreat by dawn, scurrying sometime in between to dank bars like the Hexagon and Kitty Cat Klub to play dirty noise music under the name Crepuscular. Crepuscular doesn't have a Facebook page. Crepuscular doesn't have a Bandcamp page. Crepuscular doesn't have a Twitter account. Only a single YouTube video of Crepuscular exists. Google "crepuscular Minnesota" and just try to find anything



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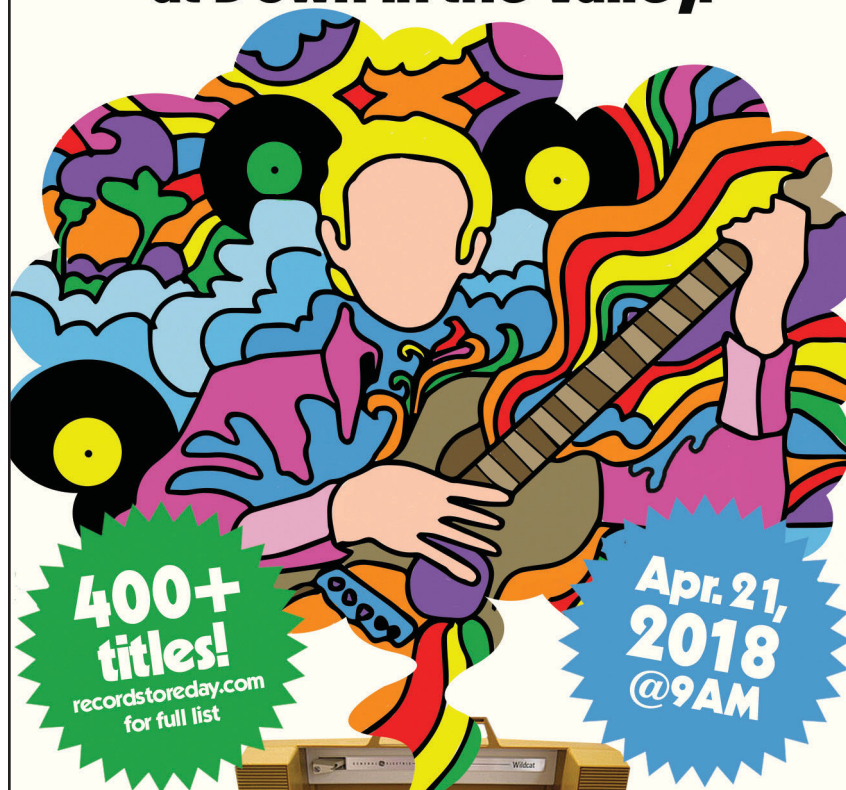


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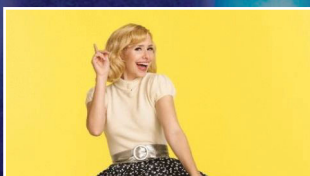
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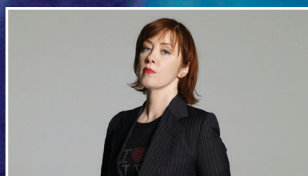
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Best New Band

4th Curtis

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Much ado has been made about how the self-described “gay cripplepunk” band 4th Curtis has helped the Twin Cities music scene become more inclusive and representative, but that narrative shouldn’t obscure just how damn good their songs are. Last January, the all-trans rock band, led by singer/songwriter Lex Noens, released one of 2017’s most infectious songs, “Anjali,” which they followed up a month later with a 10-song LP of can’t-fucking-miss pop-punk heart rockets. If you didn’t feverishly pogo to *I Won the Pageant* in 2017, you missed the emotional catharsis your year most definitely needed.

Readers’ Choice: The Shackletons

Best Reunion

Coach Said Not To

Is it really a reunion if you never exactly break up? That was the question posed a couple months back when, for the first time in years, all four members of Coach Said Not To—Annika Johnson, Lee Violet, and sisters Eva and Linnea Mohn—found themselves in the Twin Cities at the same time. Taking advantage of the fortuitous occurrence, the band, whose name summons happy memories for anyone who followed local music in the ’00s, performed together at their first show in a decade at Icehouse in February. This performance may have been just a one-off, but let’s hope we don’t have to wait till 2028 before logistics allow for another reunion.

Best Music Controversy

Club Nomadic closing before it opened

After cashing in last year in Houston, the NFL-licensed entertainment company Nomadic set its sights on Minnesota. The plan was to construct “Club Nomadic,” a standalone 9,000-capacity venue that would host a series of musical superstars (including Gwen Stefani, the Chainsmokers, and Florida Georgia Line) over Super Bowl weekend, then be quickly disassembled. But music fans weren’t enthused by a location too distant from the downtown Minneapolis action—Mystic Lake Casino in Prior Lake—or ticket prices exceeding \$250. With the

venue itself nearly finished and up to code, event organizers pulled the plug on Club Nomadic three weeks before the big game, and Mystic Lake scrambled to move the shows indoors. Nomadic blamed Mystic Lake for the mess. Mystic Lake, in turn, blamed Nomadic. But we’re pretty sure we can all find some way to blame the Chainsmokers.

Best Musical Act of Protest

Music for the Long Emergency
by Poliça and Stargaze

thisispolica.com

Local art-rockers Poliça had already begun their collaboration with the Berlin orchestral collective Stargaze before you-know-who was elected you-know-what, but by the time the resulting work premiered at the Fitzgerald in November 2016, the age-old question “How should art respond to political crisis?” felt a little more urgent. Though sometimes noisy and sometimes tuneful, the seven tracks the two groups recorded together aren’t “protest music” as it’s usually understood—there’s no up-against-the-wall punk or all-together-now folk. Instead, here’s a vision of art as something that helps us reflect and endure over time. After all, as Channy Leaneagh sings on the all-too-relatably titled “How Is This Happening,” “We have got a lot of work to do.”

Best Selling Out

Mark Mallman’s Taco John’s jingle Dreams do come true. There’s a YouTube video from 2007 in which beloved local theatrical rocker Mark Mallman ruminates onstage at the Bryant-Lake Bowl about how he’d love to write a Taco Bell commercial. He even offers up a sample jingle. Well, that fast food establishment never came calling (their loss), but 10 years later, Taco John’s gave Mallman his shot, and the results are as wacky and brilliant and memorable as you’d expect. Even if you were only hungry for one taco, once you’ve heard Mallman’s falsetto tantalize you with the phrase “taco taco taco,” you will inescapably crave three tacos. Don’t listen to it twice or you’ll need six tacos. That’s how advertising works.

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wasn't without its logistical problems last year—Lil Uzi Vert was a no-show, and other sets were delayed. But the schedule was so crammed full of talent such glitches barely had an effect. And again in 2018, there will be local and national acts underground enough to satisfy the true heads, but also something on offer for even a passing fan of rap and R&B—hitmakers as varied as Logic and Migos, legends as treasured as Erykah Badu, newcomers as promising as Brockhampton, and even a reunited Wu-Tang Clan. As the festival settles into its newish home at the State Fairgrounds, the worst thing you can say about Soundset is that you're guaranteed to miss an artist you'd love to see because you were watching another performer you couldn't bear to miss.

Readers' Choice: Basilica Block Party

Best Local Music Trend

The modular revival

Every few years, young electronic producers pick up old Casio keyboards and drum machines and discover the wheel all over again. But particularly in the Twin Cities, the trend has been to go back a step, to pre-'80s gear that looks like switchboards, the kind of synthesizers where you have to plug a cord into a socket to make a particular sound. "Modular synths, sometimes likened to the craft beers of electronic music, are bespoke, infinitely recombinant electronic devices whose mysterious workings and DIY ethos inspire near-obsessive devotion," Pitchfork's Philip Sherburne wrote recently, and between the dance and noise scenes, modular set-ups are thriving locally. There are regularly scheduled synth swap meets; last September Midwest Modular, a shop specializing in vintage and neo-vintage gear, opened near St. Anthony Main. As one local enthusiast noted, "I dream of wires."

Best Music Video Director

Jake Handegard
morningsidefilms.com

To call Jake Handegard a video director is a bit of an understatement. The Morningside Films filmmaker has become a veritable documentarian of Minneapolis/St. Paul's up-and-coming hip-hop scene, shining a spotlight on Lexii Alijai, Dwyne Roland, and Baby Shel early in their budding careers. And nationally he's also chronicled the rise of New York's Smoke DZA and Chicago's Chief Keef. Keep your eye on this former wedding videographer-turned-rap-tastemaker:

His lens will find the next notable MC before most local media even notice.

Best Local Music Podcast

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The local dance-DJ scene has become a mini-boom market of late. How to keep up with it all? If one-stop shopping is what you seek, go straight to *Kajunga Program*, the two-year-old monthly podcast of the Minneapolis house label Kajunga Records, which is made up entirely of mixes by local DJs. There's a lot of musical range and an open-eared sensibility between these sets; it's a definitive ongoing document of the city's club scene. Start with DJ Nola (deep-dive disco), Niki Kitz (head-down, into-the-wind techno), or the March edition from Minneapolis' exciting modular-techno up-and-comer Lonefront.

Best Music Video

"Last Date" by Witch Watch

Derek van Gieson has a spooky sense of humor, and his Witch Watch bandmate Anna Neighbors shares his macabre taste. Their video for "Last Date" (the third they've made together) follows a pair of lovers as they enjoy one last tryst before the man is sent off to prison. Neighbors plays dual roles: She's the female love interest and also the specter of death, tempting her lover to flee the police—and if you know Witch Watch's insatiable taste for cataclysm, you can just imagine how well that ends. The costumes by Molly Uravitch sell the inky scene, making the ill-fated affair feel like a gonzo '70s pulp romance.

Best Concert (Local)

Soul Asylum/Bob Mould/the Jayhawks/the Suburbs at Super Bowl Live (2.3.18)

"There is no warmer place on Earth than right here, right now," event organizer Jimmy Jam said to the thousands of hearty fans who packed Nicollet Mall for this free outdoor show. And though the temperature was in the lower teens, he spoke the truth: The bundled crowd was cozy with conviviality, and the bands onstage were on fire. Bob Mould rocked both Hüsker Dü classics and potent new material, the Suburbs dusted off their '80s new-wave favorites, the Jayhawks' reflective numbers soared, and Soul Asylum took a rousing run through hits from

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Readers' Choice: Dessa with the Minnesota Orchestra

Best Concert (Touring)

Kendrick Lamar at Xcel Energy Center (08.19.17)

The new king of hip-hop proved that one man with one mic can command an entire arena at the Xcel last August. For his first Minnesota show in five years, Kendrick Lamar brought his focused fury and enlightened social diatribes to life on a massive stage he held all alone, accompanied by none of the trappings of a typical rap show—no hype men, no dancers, no distractions. For 90 minutes, Kendrick led his own one-man revolution, illuminating his personal struggle and turning his triumphs and tragedies into visceral art that captivated everyone in the sold-out crowd.

Readers' Choice: Bruno Mars at Xcel Energy Center

Best Music Residency

Jeremy Messersmith at Icehouse
We're hardly wanting for excellent music residencies here in the Twin Cities. This January alone, local artists as notable as Charlie Parr, the Cactus Blossoms, and Andrew Broder all settled in at the Turf Club for successful month-long showcases. But even among those worthies, pop maven Messersmith's stand at the Icehouse was distinctive for its stylistic and conceptual range. The first week featured all solo performances. There was an acoustic week (including a string quartet) and an electronic-themed installment. And for the finale Messersmith not only previewed his new album, *Late-Stage Capitalism*, but offered slots to 4th Curtis and Sarah White, making the bill diverse in more ways than one. Residencies can feel like a gimmicky way to lure music fans out of hibernation, but as Messersmith showed, they're also a format in which artists can stretch and challenge themselves.

Best Concert Venue

7th St. Entry
701 First Ave. N., Minneapolis
612-332-1775
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The 7th St. Entry has everything that makes First Avenue's Mainroom a local

institution—the impressive concert calendar, the top-notch sound, the professional staff, the black-walled darkness—in a scaled-down, easy-access setting. The smaller room's intimacy means you'll never have to miss a single lyric or even facial expression your favorite musician shares from onstage. And then there are the bragging rights for those who catch an up-and-coming band: "I saw them at the Entry" is the ultimate knew-them-before-they-were-popular boast. While Prince's ghost surely hovers next door, the Entry has its own storied history, including the recording of Hüsker Dü's first album there in 1981.

Readers' Choice: First Avenue/7th St. Entry

Best Venue to Open

The Armory
500 S. Sixth St., Minneapolis
612-315-3965
armorymn.com

At last, the Twin Cities has an alternative to the Roy Wilkins Auditorium—a music venue for artists who draw bigger crowds than our clubs and theaters can accommodate, but who can't fill a sports arena. Cosmetically, the extensive renovations, completed in time for the Super Bowl, are fantastic. The high, arched ceiling and art deco design prove that the Armory, its potential sadly squandered during its years as a mere parking garage, deserves its historic billing. And the sound? Well, "better than the Roy Wilkins" is far too faint praise. With a little fine-tuning it may well become as excellent as any room of its size can boast. Can an armory-turned-garage really become a world-class concert space? Remember, First Avenue used to be a bus station.

Best Venue to Close

Triple Rock Social Club
629 Cedar Ave S., Minneapolis

Losing the Triple Rock still hurts. The gritty Cedar Avenue club was built by music lovers, for music lovers, and watching it thrive took away some of the sting we still felt after the shuttering of the 400 Bar just up the road. Most visitors went to this no-frills establishment for one reason only—to see live music—and that single-minded purpose made the T-Rock a crucial part of the local scene and an anchor of West Bank nightlife. The huge hole its closing left behind likely won't be filled any time soon, and the great shows and good times we had there are now just stories. But those sto-

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Readers' Choice: Triple Rock Social Club

Best Jazz Club

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Opened in 2014, Crooners has self-consciously recreated the swank charm of an earlier era. The venue's main room seats 200 and boasts a wide range of performers, from folk to jazz to gospel, and its throw-back decor skirts the line between class and kitsch. But the real reason to schlep out to Fridley is the Dunsmore Room, an intimate 80-seat dining area for ticketed performances that features a nine-foot Steinway grand piano. It's a swell place to catch touring musicians such as Joey DeFrancesco along with the cream of local jazz, including Bill Carrothers, Connie Evingson, Dean Magraw, and Dave King, and it attracts perhaps the most quiet, respectful audience in the metro area.

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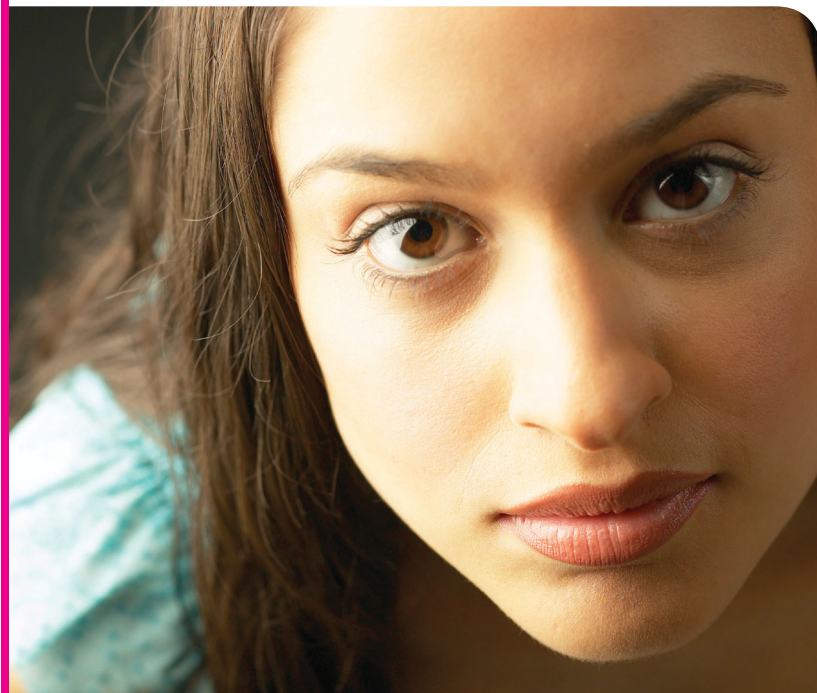
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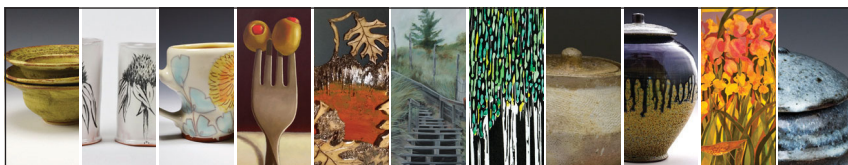
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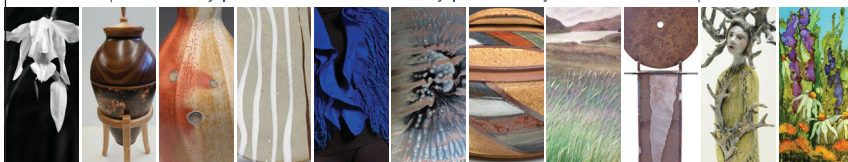
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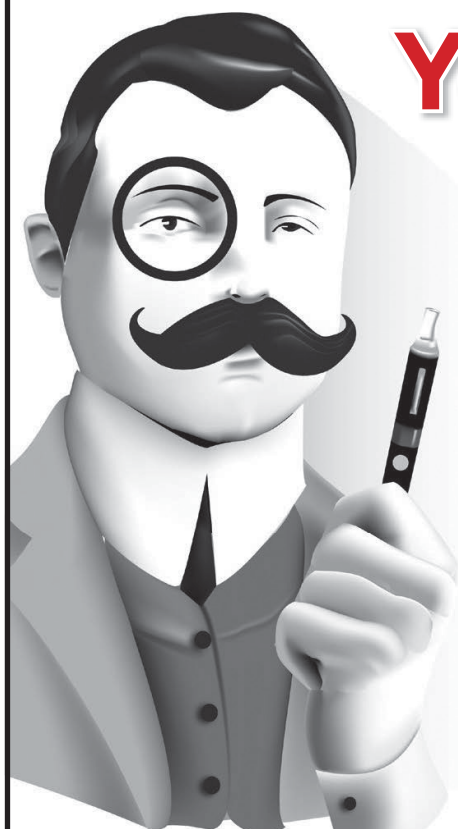
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Best Karaoke

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Readers' Choice: Vegas Lounge

Best Jukebox

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Best Record Store Day Location

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Readers' Choice: Electric Fetus

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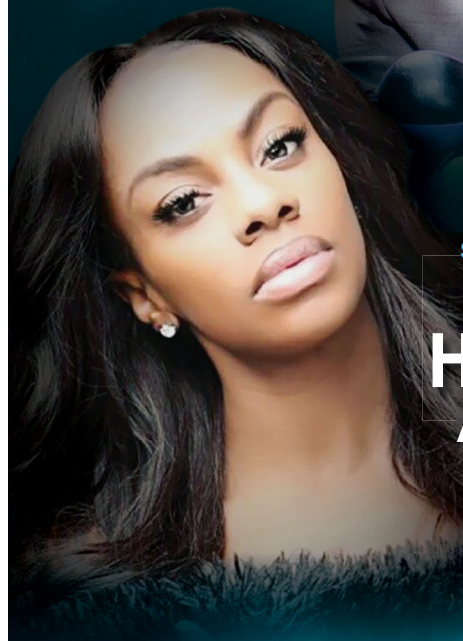


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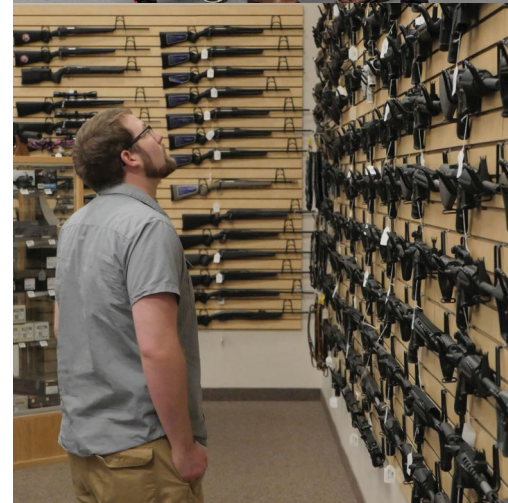
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Best Sports Team

Minnesota Lynx

The 2017 Vikings campaign was the most exciting—and, ultimately, the most heart-breaking—season Minnesota sports fans experienced in years. But considering the Vikes' narrowly missed chance to play in the Super Bowl at home, Cheryl Reeve's dynastic Lynx once again deserve this category. In October, the team won their fourth WNBA championship in seven years (matching the Houston Comets for most WNBA titles) and appeared in the Finals for a record sixth time. The 2017 Finals series was a rematch of the previous season's, but this time the Lynx defeated Candace Parker and the Los Angeles Sparks. Though MVP-winning center Sylvia Fowles led the team, there was no shortage of support: Lynx staples Maya Moore, Rebekkah Brunson, and Seimone Augustus all made the Western Conference All-Star team.

Readers' Choice: Minnesota Lynx

Best Lynx Player

Sylvia Fowles

This one's easy. In her MVP-winning third season with the team, Sylvia Fowles led the Lynx to their fourth championship in seven seasons and WNBA-record sixth Finals appearance. Fowles, 32, finished top five in the league in scoring, rebounds, and blocks, plus she led the league in field goal percentage for the fifth time. The 6-foot-6 center continued to deliver during the playoffs, too, posting a double-double in all five Finals games, including 17 points, 20 rebounds, and 3 blocks in Game 5. Fowles was named Finals MVP, a fitting cap to one of the most dominating seasons from a low-post player in WNBA history.

Readers' Choice: Lindsay Whalen

Best Wild Player

Eric Staal

When the Wild signed Eric Staal at the start of the 2016 season, it appeared they were paying handsomely for a washed-up star. He'd scored a mere 13 goals the previous year before being unceremoniously jettisoned by the New York Rangers. But Staal would find rebirth in St. Paul, returning to all-star form as a rugged two-way center and the team's finest offensive threat. His cunning shot, mixed with an intrinsic understanding of where to be on the ice, led him to become only the second Wild player to ever reach the 40-goal mark. And while some are pitching him in MVP discussions, the depth of his

modesty still matches the depth of his value to the team.

Readers' Choice: Zach Parise

Best Twins Player

Byron Buxton

Centerfielder Byron Buxton wasn't even one of the three Twins named to the 2017 American League All-Star team at midseason. But after returning from a groin injury at the start of August, he emerged as a true star-in-the-making with his improved hitting (thanks, in part, to adjusted swing mechanics), defense (he won his first Gold Glove award), and speed (he's the second-fastest outfielder in baseball, according to MLB.com). Buxton was also responsible for some of the most memorable highlights of the Twins' season, whether setting the MLB record for fastest inside-the-park home run (13.85 seconds!) or hitting three home runs in a game just nine days later. Selected by the Twins as the MLB's second overall draft pick in 2012, Buxton is finally ready to bloom into one of the league's most exciting players.

Readers' Choice: Brian Dozier

Best Timberwolves Player

Jimmy Butler

After playing six seasons for the Chicago Bulls (three of them All-Star campaigns), Jimmy Butler rejoined his former head coach Tom Thibodeau in Minnesota via a trade last June. Though he underperformed during his first few games as a Wolf, Jimmy Buckets would soon more than justify his nickname. Aside from leading the Timberwolves in scoring, Butler impacted the team for the better in less flashy ways—reliably contributing leadership, maturity, and defense. Though surrounded by talent—especially recent Rookie of the Year winners Karl-Anthony Towns and Andrew Wiggins—Butler was the biggest factor in all but assuring the Timberwolves would make the playoffs for the first time since George W. Bush's first term. That is, until he suffered a meniscus injury in February. Buckets would return, eventually rallying his team into the post-season.

Readers' Choice: Karl-Anthony Towns

Best Vikings Player

Case Keenum

When Case Keenum joined the Vikings in early 2017, no one thought the stopgap journeyman would play, much less rise



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to embody the spirit of the team. Starting under center from Week 2 through the NFC Championship Game, Keenum played with determination and deference, putting together an utterly inspiring 3,547-yard, 22-touchdown season. Win after win, he bore the success with head-down humility, and his teammates followed suit. Keenum's first—and, as it turns out, only—season in purple will ultimately be remembered as a heartbreaker. But that's unfair to the legacy of a man who brought such unbridled optimism to the scorned, beleaguered ranks of Minnesota sports fans. Here's hoping he summons that same magic for the Denver Broncos... provided they're not playing the Vikes.

Readers' Choice: Stefon Diggs

Best Coach

Mike Zimmer

Mike Zimmer has prepared his entire life for this. The no-nonsense defensive wizard got his first coaching gig in 1979, spent 20 years chess-mastering against NFL offenses, and finally earned a head coaching job when he inherited the 5-10-1 Vikings in 2014. He was 57. In four seasons, Zim has captured the NFC North crown twice, including during last year's thrilling 13-3 surge to the NFL Championship Game. Most impressive? His 39-25 record with the Vikes was accomplished with youngster Teddy Bridgewater, the shattered remnants of Sam Bradford, and Case freakin' Keenum helming the most important position in football. Zimmer will enter 2018 with free-agent prize Kirk Cousins at quarterback, electrifying second-year halfback Dalvin Cook, and the league's nastiest defense. The retirement-age coach knows he has one final job to do.

Readers' Choice: Mike Zimmer

Best College Athlete

Jordan Murphy

Jordan Murphy, starting power forward for the Gophers men's basketball team, entered his junior season known to Big Ten hoops fans, but without much national recognition. That changed throughout the 2017-18 season, as the San Antonio native made noise by winning the season's first three Big Ten Player of the Week awards. He'd eventually tally 17 consecutive double-doubles, tying a collegiate record future NBA superstar Tim Duncan set in 1996-97. Murphy's ascendance, particularly in scoring and rebounding, also warranted his being named a midseason top 25 player of the year, despite not making the preseason top 50. Unfortunately,

the Gophers nosedived around midseason, losing nine games in a row at one point, but Murphy kept on balling.

Best Sports Fan

Millie Wall

It didn't take long for the sports world to fall in love with Millie Wall. The 99-year-old Minnesota Vikings fan has stuck by and/or suffered alongside her team throughout the franchise's 57-year existence. However, Millie had never attended a playoff game. That changed when the Vikings organization gifted her tickets to see her beloved purple take on the New Orleans Saints in last January's divisional playoff matchup. We all know how that game played out: The Minneapolis Miracle (see Best Sports Highlight) propelled the Vikings on to the NFC Championship Game. In Millie, Vikings fans found a darling old woman who embodied the distinguished history and boundless hope associated with our local football team. Seeing her celebrate the Vikings' monumental playoff victory at U.S. Bank Stadium was enough to warm our collective heart, even though the Philadelphia Eagles would shatter it a week later.

Best Live Sporting Event

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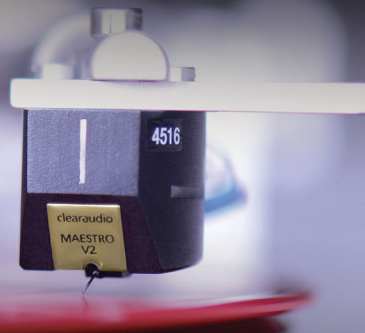
It's a matter of simple math. There are only 60 Division I teams in collegiate hockey. There is no Division II. Yet Minnesota produces an abundance of superior players too good to call it quits when their high school or junior league careers end. Enter the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, which includes the bulk of the state's larger private schools. Division III offers no scholarships. That means on any weekend night at Hamline, Augsburg, or St. Thomas, you can find excellent hockey played the old-fashioned way: fast, hard-hitting, and performed solely for the love the game. The best seat in the house usually runs under \$10. The kids can roam free, and concession prices respect a working family's treasury. Best of all, you'll be treated to a caliber of play only slightly reduced from what you'd find at Mariucci, though with arguably far more passion.

Best Sports Highlight

The Minneapolis Miracle

The stage was set for more agonizingly predictable, Vikings-induced heartache. Down 23-24 and stuck at their own 39-yard line, the Vikes had 10 seconds to beat the

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to beat the New Orleans Saints in the NFC divisional playoff game at U.S. Bank Stadium. A desperate field goal attempt seemed most likely, but that'd require at least 20 yards and a convincing prayer. Case Keenum and Stefon Diggs had other plans. Keenum calmly dropped back and launched the ball to Diggs, who snatched it from the sky and jetted his way to a walk-off touchdown. "IT'S A MINNEAPOLIS MIRACLE!!!" bellowed radio announcer Paul Allen, sorta hijacking the branding of the 2000 Music City Miracle, but we'll forgive him—the euphoria of the moment was downright dizzying. Miracles were in short supply during the NFC Championship Game, however, when the Philadelphia Eagles dismantled the Vikings. Still, for a fleeting, transcendent blip in time, nothing topped being a Minnesota sports fan.

Best Sportswriter

Britt Robson

The best hoops writer in town can finally dust off some positive adjectives. That's because the Timberwolves—owners of the worst winning percentage in NBA history—just made the playoffs for the first time in 14 years. Writing for City Pages, the Rake, Sports Illustrated, and MinnPost, Robson has applied his razor-sharp analysis and deep basketball knowledge to our perpetually inept hometown squad since the '90s. He's the rare sportswriter who'll get T-Wolves/CP boss Glen Taylor to open up, yet he pulls zero punches. Last year, Robson took a job with the Athletic, the booming, subscription-based sports news website whose co-founder told the New York Times he hopes "[local newspapers] continuously bleed until we are the last ones standing." While we don't wish for that, we do wish Robson the best at his new gig.

Best Sports Talk Radio Host

Dan "Common Man" Cole

Every afternoon, Dan "Common Man" Cole does an artful job of not giving a shit. In a format that's riddled with blow-hard jocks summoning the hottest takes, Cole plays it smirkingly cool. A keen awareness of the comic absurdity of the universe—especially the sports-talker one—rudders his easy-breezy "program." The best example of Common's so-called esoteric approach might be his annual Preposterous Statement Tournament, wherein ridiculous soundbites from his peers are subjected to a bracket-style showdown. When Cole playfully jabs at

local sports franchises or his fellow KFAN DJs, both of which he does often, he gifts his station a necessary counterbalance to its sometimes breathless homerism. There's a very solid chance Common will devote a 15-minute segment to riffing on this 125-word Best Of award—that's the hyper-silly beauty of the 'grum.

Best TV Sportscaster

Mark Rosen

After 40-plus years at WCCO, Mark Rosen still brings the heat. Amid the insanity of NFL free agency coverage, Rosey managed to scoop news of Kirk Cousins joining the Vikings, besting national 'sclusive powerhouses like Adam Schefter and Ian Rapoport. The 66-year-old local sports legend from St. Louis Park continues to pound his beat with joy, passion, warmth, and humor. He does it on-air at 'CCO, where he serves as sports director, and over the airwaves at KFAN, where he serves as exasperated straight man to *The Power Trip Morning Show's* constant volley of dick jokes. Rosey was inducted into the Minnesota Broadcasting Hall of Fame in 2013.

Readers' Choice: Mark Rosen

Best TV Newsperson

Jason Matheson

Jason Matheson is a fantastic selection as our Best TV Newsperson, but he just as easily could have scored Best Local Girl/Boy Made Good. Fox 9's *The Jason Show* was tested in various national markets last year, and its effortlessly charming, fun-loving host passed with flying colors. Beginning in June, morning audiences in Chicago, L.A., San Francisco, Orlando, and Phoenix will experience the Indianapolis-raised, Minneapolis-based rising talk-show star. Matheson recently shared his secret formula with City Pages: combine Oprah's heart, Fallon's light-heartedness, Wendy Williams' hot topics, and mix in plenty of Jason. His big personality shines especially bright during celeb interviews, like when he told *Saturday Night Live* star Kate McKinnon, "I'm as gay as a *Golden Girls* reunion, but I'd marry you in a heartbeat." America might soon be falling for Matheson, too.

Readers' Choice: Jana Shortal

Best Columnist

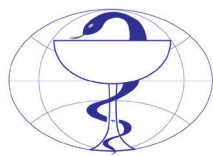
Jon Tevlin

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million questions” about her husband’s mysterious illness; Tevlin had written about his wife surviving a similar ailment. His reply gave the reader hope. Her husband recovered, and is still alive today. Hers was one of many heartfelt thank-you notes Tevlin got after the Strib published his farewell column in January. That Tevlin took as much care writing to one woman as he did with his widely read, incisive, and thoughtful columns reveals how he saw himself: as someone lucky for the chance to serve readers. They miss him already.

Best TV Station

Minneapolis Television Network
If you think community television is about flipping channels in the wee hours to see what sort of random, sometimes dull, sometimes flat-out weird TV your fellow citizens come up with, you’d be... well, you’d be right, but you’re missing the forest for the trees. For 35 years, MTN has been the go-to source for egalitarian, distinctly Twin Cities programming, not only for the viewer, but for the aspiring producer as well. In addition to its three

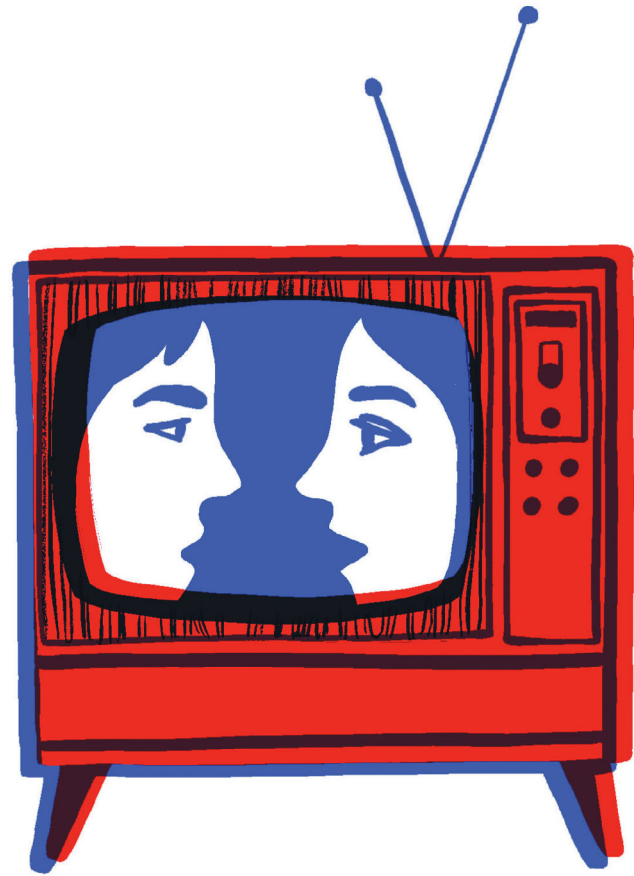
TV stations and online offerings, MTN offers classes in all areas of video production and editing, as well as in-house video producing services. It’s like a full-service A.V. club for Twin Citians of all ages, not to mention a WTF grab-bag of programming for late-night viewers.

Readers’ Choice: KARE 11

Best Radio Station

KFAN

In our current political hellscape, putting on news blinders has never felt so good. Why stoke nuclear anxiety on your commute? Tune out by tuning into KFAN (100.3 FM), Minnesota’s surprisingly robust sports-talk frequency. The clichéd bloviations of the format are largely absent on the Fan, which trades Bayless-style hot air for thoughtful analysis, fun personalities, and a true sense of community. Beyond its weekday roster of heavy-hitters, KFAN sprinkles other locally sourced goodies throughout the programming schedule, like Paul Char-chian’s fantasy football and video game shows, plus the unbeatable Twins insight



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of *Gleeman & the Geek* (see Best Podcast). When it comes to talk radio, KFAN is the obvious afternoon champ, especially considering MPR's syndication slog and KTLK's MAGA cheerleading.

Readers' Choice: 89.3 the Current

Best Radio Personality

Cathy Wurzer

Wurzer. Coffee. Repeat. Such is the morning ritual for so many Minnesota Public Radio listeners, and what a dynamite combo. A native of south Minneapolis, Wurzer boasts Minnesota bona fides as clear as her luminous, engaging voice. The longtime *Morning Edition* host will read you the news and pepper in celebrity birthdays, sure, but she also endears herself to audiences with an irrepressible love of the North Shore and obvious fascination with the weather. Ya know, like one of us. Wurzer, who also co-hosts TPT's weekly news show *Almanac* with ex-husband Eric Eskola, brings all the intelligence we presuppose of public radio personalities, but with none of the pretense. She's so goddamn pleasant you won't even turn the dial during pledge drives—kicking in a few bucks to hear Wurzer every morning is a heckuva deal.

Readers' Choice: Mary Lucia

Best Podcast

Gleeman & the Geek

Take two great baseball minds, turn 'em loose in a bar or taproom, and hear 'em talk Twins. That's the formula for *Glee-*

man & the Geek, a must-listen podcast for Twins fans by Aaron Gleeman and John Bonnes. *Gleeman & the Geek* delivers the goods—high-level Twins analysis—plus zigzagging tangents about Chinese food, beer, and, recently, curling. Gleeman, who's editor of *Baseball Prospectus*, and Bonnes, who's a writer at *Twins Daily*, have picked different pubs to record at for 360-plus episodes, lending their podcast a freewheelin' vibe that just so happens to be loaded with elite hardball knowledge. Still unsure about podcasts? Congrats on reading this far! You can hear G&G on KFAN during baseball season.

Best Website

Wedge Live

wedgelive.com

Through his Twitter feed, YouTube account, and website, John Edwards is shining a light on the often absurd mechanics of local government. He's both entertaining and informative, which is not something that can always be said of the civic hearings and meetings he covers. His coverage spans the Twin Cities but centers on Minneapolis' Wedge area, where development and infrastructure have become so contentious that a hoax protest calling bike lanes "Nazi lanes" actually attracted non-ironic marchers. Follow Edwards for funny videos like "Sharon the YIMBY" and "The True Cost of Bike Lanes," then stick around to actually learn a thing or two about how decisions affecting your neighborhood got made.

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Best Instagram

@maywaver

We all love latte art and cute puppies, sure, but May Waver breaks the mold

of the typical Instagram aesthetic. She’s a Minneapolis-based multimedia artist and designer who’s a co-founder of the Cybertwee collective, and her account is a local window into a borderless world of aesthetically adventurous spirits—at once embracing and questioning the comforts of the infinite scroll. Her feed journeys from fashion photo shoots to art shows to vintage advertising images to ASMR-triggering videos, spiked with sharp commentary and ethereal selfies. Oh, and there’s the occasional cute puppy too.

Readers’ Choice: @eatdrinkdishmpls

Best Tweeter

@RandBallsStu

It’s almost like @RandBallsStu is a laboratory-created creature, one that was fine-tuned to be the idealized Twin Cities Twitter persona. There’s a reason his bio reads “regional delicacy”—he’s a sports guy (Twins blogger), a beer guy (Surly staffer), a music guy (Replace-ments lover), and an unfailingly local guy (Minnesota culture riffer). That’s not to say his 91,000-plus tweets are hack,

boilerplate, or pandering; consistently hilarious, the real-life Steve Neuman is a very welcome addition to your feed, hence the award we just gave him. The ephemera of Twitter leaving you craving more @RandBallsStu? Download his *Sportive* podcast, winner of City Pages’ 2014 Best Sports Podcast prize.

Best Viral Moment

Stranger Things
dino hoodie

smm.org/strangerthings

We’re a complicated people here in the #BoldNorth, often unsure whether we should be celebrating our uniquely homegrown products (mandatory Prince mention) or reminding everyone of our loosely connected claims to fame (Chris Pratt lived on the Iron Range till age three!). The Science Museum of Minnesota dino hoodie worn by Dustin on Netflix’s *Stranger Things* falls firmly in the latter category: a fantastic and seemingly random costume choice that feels like it’s a love letter the Twin Cities—it’s even purple, for God’s sake! It’s a trigger

of our childhood nostalgia, and a chance to spend a little money to show our hometown pride. And did folks ever spend: International demand for the hoodie crashed the Science Museum’s website in November, though the museum still managed to make more than a half-million dollars off ’em. A truly random, tangentially Minnesotan viral moment.

Best Local Girl/ Boy Made Good

Winona Ryder

It’s time for Minnesota to make a little more noise about Winona Ryder, who was born here in 1971 and spent most of the Me Decade living with her parents on a farm outside her namesake river-bluff city. After becoming an A-list movie star, she dropped off the pop-culture radar for a few years before launching a comeback that started, ironically, with her searing performance as a retiring ballet dancer in *Black Swan*. Though her role in *Stranger Things* hasn’t exactly expanded her range as an actor, it’s renewed her fame for a new generation. Meanwhile, Ryder’s teenage



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roles have become sacred Gen X canon, making her a Ringwaldian icon for the kids in the back of the bus. Can we get this woman a goddamn mural already?

Best Politicians

Andrea Jenkins and
Phillippe Cunningham

These two newcomers to the Minneapolis City Council set milestones as some of the first openly transgender elected officials in the U.S. But it isn't just their identities and groundbreaking wins that made them stand out: It's their policy experience. Jenkins spent more than a decade as a City Council aide, helping to establish the Transgender Issues Work Group; Cunningham served in former Mayor Betsy Hodges' office as senior policy aide working on race, education, youth, and LGBTQ issues. In a local election year marked by sweeping change—Cunningham, Jenkins, and seven other new and incumbent councilmembers were endorsed by Bernie-aligned organization Our Revolution—Jenkins and Cunningham made history, and their political résumés made them the right people for the job.

Best Power Couple

Tom Weber and Peggy Flanagan
In the #MeToo era, it's nice to see a prominent media figure lose his on-air gig for a good reason. The best one: He fell in love. In January, Minnesota Public Radio host Tom Weber announced he'd started dating Rep. Peggy Flanagan (DFL-St. Louis Park), a second-term representative and a candidate for lieutenant governor. In disclosing his relationship, Weber sacrificed his role as host of a popular weekday morning show. (He is still employed by the station, and has been reassigned to cover non-political topics.) Within their respective fields of local media and politics, Weber is among the most authentically likable personalities, and Flanagan is among the only—witness her singing "Purple Rain" on the House floor after Prince's death. It's maybe the first time people have said, "They deserve each other," and meant that as a compliment.

Best Local Landmark

Hahn/Cock

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In rebooting the Minneapolis Sculpture Garden, the Walker Art Center didn't just want to create a more inviting space: It

wanted to install a new local icon. The Walker set the bar high in 1988 with *Spoonbridge and Cherry*, which became a must-stop photo op despite (or, maybe, because of) a winking pop-art aesthetic that had zero to do with the Twin Cities' traditional branding. Giant livestock is more like what we usually go in for, so the Walker must have known it had a hit on its hands when it acquired Katharina Fritsch's blue rooster. By the time the Sculpture Garden belatedly reopened last June (not all the new acquisitions were so well-advised), the tote bags were already printed and ready to go. The bird stands proud, but the wink is implicit: Come to Minneapolis and take a selfie with a 25-foot cock. Kind of makes you look at that cherry a little differently, doesn't it?

Best Hipster Trend

Booze in movie theaters

Faced with competition from streaming video, movie theaters have been forced to up their game. Some of the improvements seem a little beside the point (does every cinema really need some poor teen shoveling wood chips into a brick pizza oven?), while some others are long overdue. This spring will see the first Minnesota location of the boozy Alamo Drafthouse chain, but in recent years, numerous movie houses have taken taps into their own hands. From the bar at the renovated Uptown Theatre to the cocktail-friendly Emagine chain to St. Anthony Main inviting beverages from the neighboring Pracna, it's now gratifyingly easy to add an adult beverage to your night out at the movies.

Best Place to People-Watch

Stone Arch Bridge
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Bike commuters dodging Segway-zooming tourists. Stroller-pushing moms weaving between the seasonally sunning skyway crowd. A whole lotta doggies. Financed by railroad tycoon James J. Hill in 1883, the Stone Arch Bridge still carries a fascinating stream of humanity between downtown and St. Anthony Main. Ambling elderly couples, sweaty first dates, at least one awkwardly staged engagement photo shoot—it's all visible atop the 2,100-foot path across the Mississippi River. The iconic bridge screams Minneapolis, and there's no better place to drink in the city's scenic multitudes than from its limestone and granite arches.



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Best Dressed

Jahna Peloquin

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It should come as no surprise that the co-founder of Fashion Week MN has a distinctive style. Jahna Peloquin does a brilliant job of mixing vintage apparel with newer trends, and consistently displays splashes of color and flair with each outfit. As a writer and stylist, she has shared her fashion perspective through a wide array of local publications, including as style editor at Minnesota Monthly. No matter the event, Peloquin grabs your attention with her unmistakable style and effortless charm, bringing a refined elegance to every occasion. She brightens up the Twin Cities while inspiring us all to dress the part.

Best Suburb

Richfield

richfieldmn.gov

Is Richfield fancy now? Sorta! The first-ring 'burb is known for its blue-collar sensibilities and mid-century ramblers, but it's recently acquired hipper food and drink options—Lyn 65, Pizza Lucé, Lakewinds Food Co-Op, Giordano's, Andale Taqueria y Mercado—and a smoldering-hot real estate market. For the second straight year, Richfield was named the hottest housing market in the Twin Cities, according to a Star Tribune survey. Gentrification's fangs can only dig so deep into the 36,000-person suburb, however. Home prices are still (relatively) affordable, burgers at Sandy's Tavern remain \$5, and A World of Fish will outlive us all. More than ever, the freeway-wrapped, character-rich city lives up to its motto: "The Urban Hometown."

Best Construction Project

Allianz Field

Snelling and University Avenues, St. Paul

763-476-2237

mnufc.com

Anyone who saw U.S. Bank Stadium under construction—a sharp, dark wedge cleaving downtown Minneapolis—might reasonably have assumed we were building some kind of bleak avant-garde war memorial. Allianz Field, on the other hand, looks like a beacon of hope. As its rounded beams rose against the sunrise off I-94 in St. Paul, the future home of Minnesota United FC raised spirits

hungry for spring, for progress, and for the international lingua franca of soccer as opposed to the brain-damaging spectacle of American football. As soon as the Vikings failed to reach the Super Bowl, our eyes turned to the sky in anticipation of a new era in Minnesota sports.

Best Road

Pierce Butler Route

The Twin Cities has something of a problem. Since 2010, the metro's population has grown by roughly 200,000 people. But our roadways aren't growing in accommodation—especially in St. Paul, which was designed for an era uninterested in the swift movement of rush hour traffic. Presenting the Pierce Butler Route, a gateway heading east into central St. Paul, a stress-free alternative to the mash of steel backed up on University Avenue and I-94. You can catch it at the end of Prior Avenue North, just east of the University of Minnesota. From there it carries you all the way to Dale Street. Its path through the city's industrial district means it's not widely known to outsiders. And that means traffic is always moving, never too heavy. It also means that you, dear resident of the Venice of the North, can spend your commute in relative bliss, rather than cursing and honking at your fellow man.

Best Parking Lot

Stillwater Veterans Memorial

138 Pine St. W., Stillwater

651-344-6245

stillwaterveteransmemorial.org

With all those day-trippers and antiques buffs jostling for elbow room, downtown Stillwater can get awfully crowded. Next time you take a road trip to the birthplace of Minnesota, do yourself a solid and point your hood uphill, toward a legitimately scenic parking lot. Dozens of spaces surround the Stillwater Veterans Memorial, a glorious steel spire that was built early this century but looks like a remnant from the (non-existent) 1952 Stillwater World's Fair. Parking is free, and once you've secured your spot you can pay your respects to the vets while strolling among carefully landscaped flower beds. Gaze over the roofs and treetops of Stillwater, or cast an appreciative glance upward at the historic Washington County Courthouse. Then, use your best "keep on trucking" stride to make your way downhill. Later, the climb back up will help you work off that salt-water taffy.



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Best Public Bathroom

Cityview Bar, Walker Art Center
725 Vineland Place, Minneapolis
612-375-7600

walkerart.org

There's a lot to like about the Walker Art Center's recent renovation and the opening of adjoining restaurant Esker Grove, including the fact that Cityview Bar is now available as a casual hang-out space before and after shows at the McGuire Theater. It's a far more appealing and accessible place to grab a drink than the old Balcony Bar, and can we. Talk. About. The. Bathrooms? They're sleek and minimalist, hushed retreats that feature gapless, four-wall privacy in the stalls. They may not be show-offish like the Varsity Theater bathrooms, but if there's ever a place where form should follow function, it's in the water closet.

Best Sign of Spring

Nice Rides deployed
877-551-6423

niceridemn.org

We're moving toward a whole new world of dockless bike sharing, but for now, the return of Nice Ride bike racks is among the surest signs that the White Witch is

losing her power. Right around Easter, the gray docking stations roll out from Nice Ride's Midtown Greenway-adjacent headquarters and once again take root in front of parks, bars, and six-story mixed-use developments across the Twin Cities. When the sturdy green steeds are stabled in their electronic paddocks, spontaneous two-wheel freedom is ours again... until fall, when the bikes go back into hibernation and we psych ourselves up for another "Bold North" season.

Best Way to Get Flipped the Bird

Biking in the winter

The Twin Cities bike boom is spreading into the winter months. And that's further spurring the endless consternation of some motorists, the ones who think it's bad enough to have to put up with bicyclists when it's warm out. When parking lanes crust up and there's no reasonable way for bikers to veer away from cars, you can feel the steam building between the ears of that pickup driver who didn't get four-wheel drive just to creep along behind some yahoo on a Schwinn. You better believe that bird will come flying out as the truck thunders past. But that's OK: He's just jealous of your indoor parking and reduced risk of heart disease.

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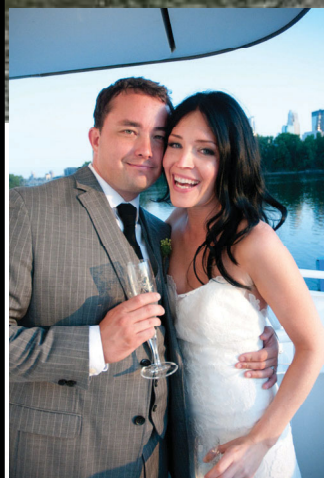
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Best Clothing Store for Women

Roe Wolfe
3175 Galleria, Edina
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Roe Wolfe is a survivor. It's moved several times and gone through a few style evolutions, and now it's found a home at the Galleria, filling the "designer denim and casual clothing" void left by Len Druskin. Roe has grown more self-assured and confident since its inception, and the mix of brands and styles feels genuine and welcoming to all sorts of shoppers, with price points to match. Find lines like AG and Hudson for denim, Chaser LA and Nation's comfy and cool tees, Maison Scotch, and jewelry from local designer Larissa Loden. Shop for work, for vacation, or just for fun.



Best Boutique

Cake Plus-Size Resale
5155 Bloomington Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-353-4248
cakeplussize.com

Most boutiques in the Twin Cities aren't size-inclusive, and plus-size shoppers have never had a lot of options. That changed in 2017 with the opening of Cake, a plus-size resale boutique in south Minneapolis. Owner Cat Polivoda has been doing body-positive work in the Twin Cities for years. It's fantastic to see her expand her mission into this rare brick-and-mortar hub for plus-size folks of all genders to shop for clothes, shoes, and accessories in a space that affirms everything about who they are. In addition to retail offerings, Cake also hosts swaps, special seasonal events, and even the occasional dance party.

Readers' Choice: Primp

Best Clothing Store for Men

Buffalo Exchange
2727 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-871-9115
buffaloexchange.com

There are fancier places—Heimie's, MartinPatrick3, Askov Finlayson, to name a few—for a dude to score fly duds, if that dude happens to be loaded. When

it comes to bang for your buck, nothing in the Cities tops Buffalo Exchange. You've gotta know your brands and price points going in, but if you pick through the stacks often, you can walk away with tags-still-on steals on brands like L.L. Bean, Pointer, Wolverine, and Wallabee. Pop in once a week for 10 minutes to build a familiarity with the stock. Soon you'll be able to spot the new stuff right away, decide if you like any of it, and go about your day.

Best Lingerie Store

Room No. 3
4948 France Ave. S., Edina
952-746-3003
roomno3.com

Fancy and frilly lingerie is awesome, but sometimes you just want a set that feels like you at your best—a little luxe, still casual and comfortable while maintaining a sexy edge. That's Room No. 3 in a nutshell. The 50th and France shop is small and unpretentious, almost like an airy beach house owned by your coolest friend. Shop lovely and chic lines like Eberjey and Blush, cozy cashmere sweaters and loungewear, and swimwear. You can pick up your go-to T-shirt bra and something sexy for a special occasion, plus the sweetest bachelorette and bridal gifts.

Readers' Choice: Smitten Kitten

Best Haircut

Rouge Urban Salon
1743 Selby Ave., St. Paul
651-646-2675
rougeurbansalon.com

You know what makes an excellent haircut even better? Popcorn, vintage furniture, and a stylist who is happy to own up to their addiction to bad TV. That's what you get when you go see any of the skilled stylists at Rouge Urban Salon. The funky, unpretentious Merriam Park salon owned by Emily Kor features a whole range of services and friendly faces, with a laid-back beauty-shop-meets-hipster vibe that's more fun than its stuffier competition. Yes, that vintage popcorn popper really does work, and yes, they're happy to let you munch while you get a great cut. Opinions about bad TV come free.

Best Tattoo Parlor

Sea Wolf Tattoo Company
1832 E. 35th St., Minneapolis
612-224-9294
seawolftattoocompany.com

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at home on a Sailor Jerry flash sheet. And while the shop is hole-in-the-wall sized, they're not pigeonholed by the style—when you work with artists whose foundational skills are this sharp and rooted in ritual, everything from your niece's initials to that in memoriam of your childhood dog will be rendered in crisp, vivid, perfect pigments you'll cherish forever. Post-appointment, cross two intersections and treat yourself to a Jucy Lucy.

Readers' Choice: Saint Sabrina's

Best Salon

Cocoon Salon
861 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
612-839-1690

cocoonmsp.com

As the new kid in town, Cocoon has gained attention by nabbing some of the best stylists from around the city. Those stylists are trusted here, given the reins to handle their own business, from bookings to techniques. Daring styles and color transformations are their specialty, and the beautiful open space and chill ambience make it easy to hang out under the dryer for a few hours. Note: Frida the salon dog is not available for individual appointments, but might make herself comfortable nearby and look up at you with her little face.

Readers' Choice: HAUS Salon

Best Place to Buy Makeup

Target in the Quarry
1650 New Brighton Blvd., Minneapolis
612-781-7033

target.com

If you're comfortable being a lab rat for a corporation, Target's store in northeast Minneapolis is your best bet for makeup essentials. The Quarry store is one of Target Corp.'s favorite testing locations, which is why the beauty department, with its flashy screens, wood-paneled floors, and shorter, backlit shelves, always feels cutting-edge. Though smaller and more scantily stocked, the store's beauty department is more in line with Sephora than, say, Walmart. Your higher-end brand purchases might have to be made elsewhere, but for a solid blend of drugstore prices and department store service, look no further than the Quarry.

Best Furniture Store

SouthSide Vintage & Quality Goods
1832 E. 42nd St., Minneapolis
612-250-0977

southsidevintage.com

Don't stop into SouthSide Vintage & Quality Goods if you're in a hurry. Ten minutes is not nearly enough time to browse. Visiting SouthSide Vintage feels



like you're taking a peek into someone's personal collection of vintage decor, barware, furniture, and clothing. In a way, you are: Susan Calvitt, co-owner and face of the business, uses her background in production design and art direction to curate an affordable collection of mid-century modern, Danish Modern, and art deco furniture and decor; her husband, Chris, pitches in on repairs, restorations, and custom projects.

Best Vintage Shop

Bearded Mermaid Bazaar
953 W. Seventh St., St. Paul
651-788-3645

@beardedmermaid

Part of the fun of vintage and antique shopping is the hunt... or the dig, if you're shopping at the Bearded Mermaid. If the name weren't enough, the enormous taxidermied giraffe that greets you at the door tells you the Bearded Mermaid isn't your run-of-the-mill stop. Owner Nick Soderstrom stockpiles finds of all kinds, from vintage tees in pillage-ready piles, to army jackets, to strange and compelling knickknacks you'll never see anywhere else. The thrill of vintage shopping is finding that piece that feels like it was made just for you, even long ago. The Bearded Mermaid is fun and a little weird, in other words, the perfect vintage shopping experience.

Readers' Choice: Rewind

Best Outdoors Store

Mend Provisions
2719 E. 42nd St., Minneapolis
612-724-4272

mendprovisions.com

Mend is a fly fishing shop set in a modest south Minneapolis storefront. The store doesn't sell everything you'll need to live in the woods for a year, but a few minutes of browsing will convince you of Mend's loving dedication to the outdoors, and might be enough to make you consider living a life by the stream. Every item in the store feels like it has a story, and luckily the staff is always happy to tell it to you. Even for people who've never thrown a line, and think they probably never will, Mend's outerwear and accessories selections alone are worth the trip.

Best Bike Trail

The Midtown Greenway
South Minneapolis
midtowngreenway.org

This one seems like an obvious choice, but for good reason: The Midtown Greenway is in a class of its own. Stretching five and a half miles east to west through the heart of Minneapolis, the former railroad right-of-way is plowed through the winter, and used by commuter and recreational cyclists alike year-round. The Greenway features on- and off-ramps like a highway, a bike shop right on the

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trail, quality graffiti, and connections to a bunch of other major bike routes, including the Mississippi River and Chain of Lakes trails. It's also a fine place to hit the brakes, with green space, public art, comfy benches on the Sabo bridge over 55 (great place to watch the skyline), and connected public garden areas. But if you ride (or walk!) the Greenway, please observe basic etiquette—slow traffic to the right, holler "On your left!" as you pass, and don't dawdle when crossing.

Best Place to Sled

Como Golf Course
1431 N. Lexington Parkway, St. Paul
651-488-9673

stpaul.golf/como-gc

The winter wonderland known as Como Golf Course sits rather unnoticed in the center of the metro area, largely bordered by residential streets that keep traffic to a minimum. That's precisely why it's the best place to sled in the Twin Cities: You pretty much get it all to yourself. Start with a playland large enough to

accommodate 18 holes. Throw in dozens of rolling hills and some snow, and you have your own private sledding grounds. There are perfectly sized hills for everyone in your party, from risk-seeking adult to toddler. The quiet and the absence of crowds allow you to pretend you're in the North Woods, despite being in the middle of the metro. The course also offers cross-country skiing and snowboarding, snow conditions permitting.

Best Place to Ice Skate

TRIA Rink
400 N. Wabasha St., St. Paul
651-726-8742

triarink.com

Skating on the neighborhood rink—or better yet, the neighborhood lake, river, or pond—is about as wholesomely Minnesotan as pronouncing your 'O's funny. But all those cracks and gouges in the ice make it difficult to impress a date, or demonstrate to your kids that you're not the inelegant rube they think you are. Enter TRIA Rink, which opened this

winter in the former Macy's building in downtown St. Paul. It's the Minnesota Wild's practice facility. It's also the only place in the Twin Cities where you can skate on NHL-caliber ice. For a pro rink, prices are impressively modest: \$4 admission, and \$3 to rent skates if you're unequipped. It's the one place to finally prove that your skating exploits of yore—the ones you've always bragged about—are not quite as embellished as they always seemed to be.

Readers' Choice: Wells Fargo WinterSkate

Best View

St. Croix Crossing
Oak Park Heights

dot.state.mn.us/stcroixcrossing

St. Croix Crossing begins on Highway 36 as you head east, leaving Oak Park Heights and soaring toward St. Joseph, Wisconsin. But unlike the imposing freeway bridges of yesteryear, the Minnesota Department of Transportation decided this one would be pedestrian- and bike-friendly. And so it is. The walkway soars 150 feet above the St. Croix River, a National Scenic Riverway. That designation has largely prevented the view from becoming an onslaught of business signs and billboards. Instead, you're treated to a spectacular vine of blue running miles to the north, accompanied by dense green foliage that obscures most of the commercial development. The St. Croix is a state treasure, and the new bridge allows you to witness it in all its majesty, free of charge.

Best Place to Jog

Minnehaha Creek Park
51st Street and West Minnehaha Parkway, Minneapolis

minneapolisparcs.org

Consider Minnehaha Creek Park the launchpad for a choose-your-own-adventure jog. Head west to rack up serious mileage on the Chain of Lakes trail. Head east and make your way to and around Lake Nokomis for a roughly four-mile jog and a beer at Sandcastle to reward your efforts. Or stick around the park itself for a nice, easy run along the scenic creek. The park is a little bit of forest in the city, complete with charming foot bridges over its namesake. You'll share the mostly paved trail with bikes, but it's never busy enough to cause a pile-up, and the occasionally secluded footpath is just quiet enough to recharge your soul before you venture back out to the city streets.

Best Beach

Lake Nokomis Main Beach
5001 Lake Nokomis Pkwy. W., Minneapolis
612-230-6400

minneapolisparcs.org

If we are forced to choose our favorite beach in the Twin Cities, it's gotta be the main beach at Lake Nokomis, which, with its mix of families and kid-less folks, welcomes everyone no matter where they're at in life. We also love the nearby Sandcastle concession stand, which serves an eclectic mix of food and beverages. Plus, twice a week in the summer, the Open Swim Club meets at Nokomis, providing the chance to swim all the way across the lake (with floatable devices or not) while a team of lifeguards ensures that everybody makes it safely back to shore.

Readers' Choice: Hidden Beach (Cedar Lake East Beach)

Best Public Park

Minnehaha Regional Park
4801 S. Minnehaha Dr., Minneapolis
612-230-6400

minneapolisparcs.org

Heaven is a place in Minneapolis, where glistening waters cascade down from limestone bluffs, grass stretches out as far as the eye can see, gorgeous old trees provide a glorious canopy, and, during the warmer months, delicious fish tacos await. Perfect for a romantic stroll, a family picnic, or a fun get-together with friends, Minnehaha Regional Park has it all. During the summer it's a great place to take in a concert or just enjoy the ambiance while hanging out at Sea Salt Eatery. There's a playground for the kiddos, an expansive off-leash dog park, and, of course, the awesome power of the falls, which can be enjoyed any time of year.

Readers' Choice: Minnehaha Regional Park

Best Hike

Whitetail Woods Regional Park
17100 Station Trail, Farmington
952-891-7000

co.dakota.mn.us/parks

It's a hike just to get to this hike. Far beyond where most city dwellers have ventured lies a natural, verdant oasis of peace where the trails are unpaved and the sky looms, expansive. Whitetail Woods Regional Park constitutes 456 acres of countryside in Farmington. If you're determined to get lost and walk off the stress of urban life, you have to go to the



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outskirts of town. Explore ten miles of trails in summer and five miles by foot or snowshoe in winter. Build a bonfire, host a picnic, or go sledding while you're there. Free admittance, free parking, and even free wi-fi add to the appeal of this gem of Dakota County.

Best Day Trip

St. Joseph/Collegeville/
Cold Spring

For odd, remarkable, and otherwise unclassifiable sights a short drive from the Twin Cities, the pancake-flat stretch of central Minnesota up I-94 can't be beat. St. John's Abbey is maybe the most otherworldly building in the entire state, a concrete and stained-glass marvel right out of science fiction. The Johanna Kiln, also at St. John's University, is the largest wood-fired kiln in the world, accommodating over 1,000 pottery and sculpture pieces at once. A short drive south, in Cold Spring, marvel at Assumption Chapel, a little stone hilltop church built by German immigrants in the 1870s to mark the end of a plague of locusts. Finish the day with the best fried walleye in the state at Fisher's Club in Avon, an old-school wood-paneled supper club on the shores of the improbably named Middle Spunk Lake.

Best Dog Park

Meeker Island Dog Park
471 N. Mississippi River Rd., St. Paul
651-266-6400

[stpaul.gov/facilities/
meeker-island-dog-park](http://stpaul.gov/facilities/meeker-island-dog-park)

It takes a little work to get to Meeker Island Dog Park, which is tucked along Mississippi River Boulevard with no parking lot and little signage. When you do find the entrance, you have to go down a gravel path and then a steep set of stairs. Once you've arrived, your efforts are rewarded. This off-leash park on the shores of the Mississippi is a stunning slice of woods and beach you and your pup will love. Dogs have room to frolic, splash, and explore in a setting that's not too big, but rarely crowded (a byproduct of its offbeat location). Just make sure your dog comes when you call its name. Otherwise, you might be in for more of an adventure than you'd planned.

Best Dog Daycare

Rover
rover.com

If the dog daycare industry ever dies, Rover will be chief suspect in its murder. The

Uber of dog-watching offers bespoke in-home daycare sessions through the Rover app. You're putting Fido at the whim of a part-time pet-sitting stranger, but there's just no beating the convenience of seamlessly scheduling and paying someone to come pick up your dog for a walk or one-on-one playtime. It's an easy, on-demand service giving doggy daycares a run for their money—at least until the gig economy collapses.

Best Pet Supplies

Urban Tails Pet Supply
2106 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-879-0709

urbantailspet.com

Amazon is trying its best to ruin everything good about shopping locally, but stores like Urban Tails in the Wedge neighborhood have nothing to fear. The store checks all the boxes: great selection, helpful staff, reasonable prices... and then goes beyond, with in-store dog training, community events like the bi-weekly bunny "hoppy hour," and rescue adoption programs. Most importantly, Urban Tails offers free deliveries on any order over \$25, which is super helpful, as cats still haven't figured out how to carry food back from the store themselves.

Best Place to Be Drunk

In a kayak in the middle
of Cedar Lake
Cedar Lake Parkway, Minneapolis

In Minneapolis' late summer afternoons, when the sun's still out by the time you get off work, the best way to escape from the city and other people is to burrow deep into the Chain of Lakes. Minneapolis Parks and Recreation has painstakingly fashioned this urban retreat into a picture of pristine wilderness, where tall oaks screen the waters from the rest of the world, and cottonwood fluffs drift along. Follow their lead. In a kayak in the middle of Cedar Lake—less crowded than Bde Maka Ska, and large enough you could claim a sizable circumference of water for yourself—all you need is a lifejacket, a six-pack or a flask, and an FM radio to reinvent happy hour.

Best Place to Show Up Stoned

The MayDay Parade
Bloomington Avenue, Minneapolis
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MayDay Parade, but you also won't stand out in the crowd if that's how you roll. The parade is a joyous happening, started by hippies in 1975 as a celebration of spring and the end of the Vietnam War. These days the event celebrates feel-good things like community, tolerance, and love, and marchers include acrobats on stilts, crust punks jamming on found-material instruments, and giant papier-mâché creatures that look right out of a Muppets movie. (Whoa.) After the spectacle, you're a pleasant walk or short bus ride away from Midtown Global Market, where you can get your munchies on.

Best Adult Store

Smitten Kitten
3010 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-721-6088

smittenkittenonline.com

Oh, Smitten Kitten. For 15 years, the vibrator virtuosos and schlong-slingers have held up a new standard for a sex-positive adult shop. Smitten Kitten is open to all genders, sexualities, and preferences, so rest assured that no one there is going to yuck your yum. Almost every product has a tester, so you can taste that lube, feel those vibes, or press the buttery leather of a new whip against your skin. Staff are well-trained and can answer a wide array of questions. They also offer home parties; get your besties together and throw down on some dildos! In addition to all the sexy toys and props, they also sell books, games, porn, cards, and gifts. Best of all? It's not sleazy in the slightest, so you can leave your shame at home.

Best Head Shop

Legacy Glassworks Art Gallery
and Tobacco Shop
2928 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-968-3724

legacyglassworks.com

At first glance, it's hard to say whether Legacy is more of an art gallery or a smoke shop. Everything is functional, though some pieces frankly look too pretty to ever use. From an array of cute one-hitters up to gonzo boss bongs embedded in naturally occurring crystals, each piece is uniquely crafted, handmade by artists from Minnesota to Japan. Enthusiastic staff members are eager to give tours of the collection, or show you how to blow your own glassware in Legacy's adjoining studio. Prices compete with mass-designed, factory-made products. Amble on through after Sunday brunch for something to help you take a nice long nap.

Best Strip Club

BJ's Liquor Lounge
229 W. Broadway Ave., Minneapolis
612-521-4144

Don't bother changing out of your workman's denim before entering this trusty old shack with flashing neon and orange trim at the gateway to north Minneapolis. Rail drinks are had for cheap, and the hockey game's on TV. Behind the bar, topless women with beatific smiles gyrate on a stage. With no cover and standard \$20 lap dances performed out in the open, what you see is what you get at BJ's. There are no hidden rooms with off-menu services, and strippers walk with 100 percent of their tips. This strip club/dive bar knows not to meddle with a good formula, and that's why its clientele is almost entirely composed of regulars.

Best Place to Do Yoga

Common Ground
Meditation Center
2700 E. 26th St., Minneapolis
612-722-8260

commongroundmeditation.org

There are no mirrors and no bullshit at Common Ground Meditation Center. Primarily focused on meditation, the center also offers yoga classes with something of a Buddhist lens, though it's not overbearing. The center's teachers are insightful and give individual attention, and there's a lack of pretense and competitiveness, with zero focus on attire or appearance. Plus, everything is sliding scale, so whether you choose to donate or volunteer as a way of giving back, there are multiple ways to keep the community going.

Readers' Choice: CorePower Yoga

Best Gym

Los Campeones
2721 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis
612-333-8181
2746 Blaisdell Ave., Minneapolis
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loscampeonesgym.com

In 2010, Benjamin Loehrer bought the struggling Los Campeones gym on East Franklin Avenue and transformed it into what it is today: a safe space, a playground, and the humblest gym in town. He opened a second, smaller but equally excellent location on Blaisdell in 2014. Both feature standard cardio and weight equipment, but the fun stuff is with the

astroturf carpet. We're talking sandbags, tires, chains, and sleds. If you don't know where to start, Los Campeones has personal trainers of all backgrounds, from slender sprinters to lifters with biceps like twin babies. Membership is equally as diverse. Whether you're a first timer, a recovering addict, or a member of the LGBTQ community, you'll be welcomed to Los Campeones with strong, flexible, open arms.

Readers' Choice: The Firm

Best Bowling Alley

Elsie's
729 Marshall St. NE, Minneapolis
612-378-9701
elsies.com

Trust the experts. If you go to a gym and everyone looks like they just got off an Olympic medal podium, that's where you wanna work out. If you go to a bowling alley and it's filled with old Polish guys with names stitched on their shirts, that's where you wanna roll. League bowlers from throughout the Twin Cities journey in to play competitive games at Elsie's, gathering in the northeast Minneapolis fixture like animals surrounding an oasis. (The creature's thirst is slaked with pitchers of Grain Belt.) Elsie's is serious about lane maintenance; keeping the tracks oiled keeps bowlers' balls on the straight-and-narrow. Bowlers' fingers, meanwhile, are kept oiled by the steady consumption of deliciously fried bar food.

Readers' Choice: Bryant-Lake Bowl

Best Mini Golf

Can Can Wonderland
755 Prior Ave. N., Suite 004,
St. Paul
651-925-2261

cancanwonderland.com

Can Can Wonderland won last year's title as a rookie contender, but we like the place so much, we cannot deny it richly deserved back-to-back victories. With its unique and elaborately designed mini golf course created by local artists, fantastic cocktails, and a rolling mix of local music acts, variety shows, and performance art... what more could you ask for? Whether you're there to play golf or pinball or to just take in the sights—find us another mini-golf course with an optical-illusion hole inspired by Gob Bluth—you can't go wrong at Can Can. Its 18 holes are yours for \$14 for ages 12-and-up, \$10 for kids, seniors, and military members.

Best Splash Pad

Wabun Picnic Area Wading Pool
4655 46th Ave. S., Minneapolis

With zero-depth entry and a maximum depth of two feet, multi-kid parents at this pool can play with a toddler while giving an older kid the space to show off how independent they are. The center of the circular pool features a rock structure that sprays water without getting the edge too wet. Since no one goes to a splash pad just for the splash pad, Wabun Park also has an elaborate playground that appeals to many different ages, plenty of tables and shelters for picnicking, and it's a short walk or bike ride to the Mississippi on one side and Minnehaha Falls on the other.

Best Festival

Minnesota Fringe
612-872-1212
minnesotafringe.org

Started in 1994 with 52 shows and a total audience of only 4,630, Minnesota Fringe has grown into the Minnesota State Fair of theater. Last year, 45,000 audience members roamed among more than 900 shows, ranging from a Bollywood murder mystery to an improvised live-action Dungeons and Dragons adventure, to a truly outsider piece of monotone monologue heavily featuring the word "cunt." Fringe doesn't make a habit of playing it safe: Shows are chosen by lottery, not curated for quality. This year, instead of throwing all the balls in the same bin, show hopefuls entered one of three separate lotteries corresponding to different venue sizes, hopefully eliminating some perpetually sold-out venues, though nobody's sure how it's going to play out. But that's nothing new for the Minnesota Fringe.

Readers' Choice: Minnesota State Fair

Best Place to Shoot Pool

19 Bar
19 W. 15th St., Minneapolis
612-871-5553

Reports that an apartment development on Nicollet Avenue would force out long-running businesses like Market Bar-B-Que caused many to clutch their chests. "What about the 19 Bar?" they asked, momentarily terrified. "Not the 19 Bar!" Exhale, people: The 19's not going anywhere. Their reasons to fear for this 3.2-dive-turned-gay-dive were plenty, including drink prices and the spacious setup. Three more reasons are found alongside the bar, where customers



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Readers' Choice: CC Club

Best Free Event

Open Streets

openstreetsmpls.org

Summertime street closings are a dime a dozen. But when Open Streets closes off a main drag, it's a joyful novelty. Cleared of cars, the streets are wide open to roam on foot, bike, wagon, or skates. Get up early for a sunrise yoga session, take your teens to a mini-skate park, listen to music on a pop-up stage, peruse sidewalk sales, chalk the asphalt with art, and meet your neighbor's puppy. Last year, Open Streets had stops in the Lyn-Lake area, downtown Minneapolis, along West Broadway, in Northeast... even a Holidazzle snow

party on Nicollet. The vast majority of activities are free (unless you're shopping, eating, or drinking), which makes it a great weekend festival that won't break your wallet.

Best Way to Spend \$5

Minnesota Landscape Arboretum
3675 Arboretum Dr., Chaska
952-443-1400

arboretum.umn.edu

Picture Charlie Bucket's face as Willy Wonka sings "Pure Imagination." That's about how we looked when we first laid eyes on the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and the 1,137 acres of drool-inducing natural beauty maintained by the U of M. The grounds are open year-round and admission is free every third Monday. Between September and November, spend your five bucks on a bag of locally invented apples (like Zestar or Honeycrisp) from the AppleHouse, a five-minute drive from the Arboretum. If you're the adventurous type, try sampling one of the University of Minnesota's numbered but not yet named test apples, either from the AppleHouse

or during one of the Arboretum's seasonal apple tastings.

Best Place to Buy Vinyl

Flashlight Vinyl
1519 Central Ave. NE, Minneapolis
612-558-3838

flashlightvinyl.com

Since opening in January 2016, Flashlight Vinyl has given music lovers in northeast Minneapolis a crucial destination to get their fix. Whether you're after the latest indie rock LP or coveted first pressings of classics, or you just want to spend your afternoon flipping through racks of \$1 records, Flashlight has you covered. Owner Raoul Benavides has filled his store with a mix of his own personal stash of records and collections he's purchased from across the country. From hip-hop to metal, country to classical, movie soundtracks to free jazz, you're bound to come across something that catches your eye in the racks. In addition to its ever-expanding vinyl collection, Flashlight has also brought in photography exhibits, movie screenings

(like the Yeah Yeah Yeahs documentary *There Is No Modern Romance*), a drum clinic featuring Marky Ramone, and a live performance from Lou Barlow.

Readers' Choice: Electric Fetus

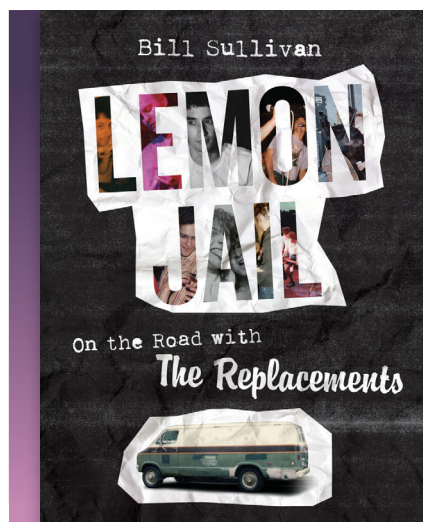
Best Casino

Canterbury Park
1100 Canterbury Rd., Shakopee
952-445-7223

canterburypark.com

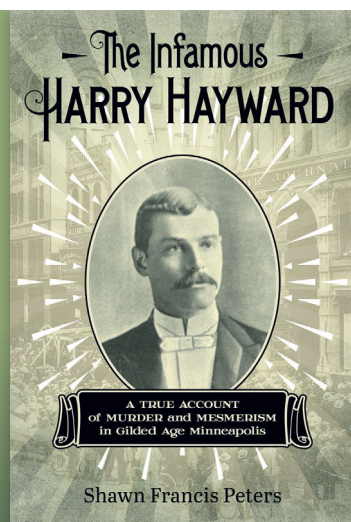
If your idea of a great casino is a place to stare silently at slot machines and gorge yourself at an all-you-can-eat buffet, look elsewhere. Canterbury's all about horse races, 24-hour poker, and gamblers shouting at the top of their lungs when they hit big. With table games that run from the standard (blackjack) to the arcane (James Bond's favorite, baccarat), more than 30 poker tables, and of course, the racing season, Canterbury Park is a welcome break from the zombie-slot staredown. And if you're really missing the computer-screen bandits, a shuttle runs to Mystic Lake and back on race days.

Readers' Choice: Mystic Lake



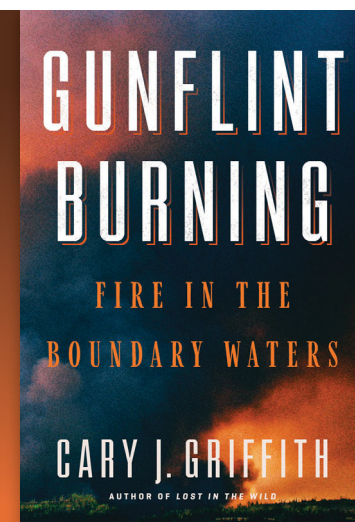
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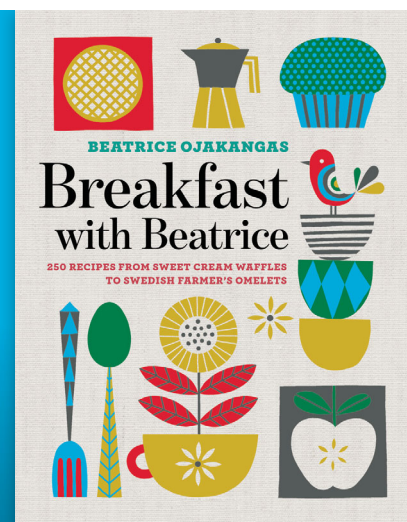
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Ridgedale Center
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952-541-4864

ridgedalecenter.com

Youngest of the four 'Dales, and perhaps the most easily forgotten, Ridgedale embodies better than any of its cohorts the spirit of that most endangered of 20th-century institutions, the suburban shopping mall. It's a repository of legacy mall brands such as Sears, Hot Topic, and Claire's (all unchanged for decades), plus a fine place to get your iPhone fixed. Go ahead, indulge in a Frisbee-sized pretzel from Auntie Anne's while you wait. A recent renovation fitted the '70s-era bones with a muted color palette of hardwood and polished metal that almost resembles Uptown, if you squint hard enough.

Best Green Business

Gandhi Mahal
3009 27th Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-729-5222

gandhimahal.com

How many times have you told yourself this would be your last night ordering in? At least from Gandhi Mahal, you can

order guilt-free. While on the surface it may appear to be just another purveyor of delicious Indian cuisine, the basement holds hidden aquaponic treasures. The roof features a 30-kilowatt solar array. Spare cooking oil is filtered and turned into biofuel. Owner Ruhel Islam is committed to sourcing foods from local farmers, and has been growing food for the restaurant in his own gardens for the past decade. With all that zero-waste goodness, you needn't feel bad about your fourth order of chicken rogan josh this month.

Best Garden Center

Bachman's on Lyndale
6010 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-861-7600

bachmans.com

If you have an appreciation for flora, Bachman's has something for you. If you're fluent in greenery, this is where you can geek out. There are supplies for pond building, landscaping, and expert-level flower planters. Bachman's can also be your green thumb if you have none. Their knowledgeable staff is great at spotting confused wanderers and leading them down the right path. No question is too

dumb or esoteric. The indoor section is especially user-friendly, with plants organized by size and difficulty level (check out the “plants of steel” area if you’re just getting started).

Best Gaming Shop

Heroic Goods and Games
3456 Minnehaha Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-200-9354
heroicgoodsandgames.com

Heroic Goods and Games is the neighborhood game shop you never knew you needed. Not only do they stock an impressive selection of tabletop games given how small the store is, they also sell retro toys and video games. As with other smaller shops, one of the best features of Heroic is the conversations and recommendations from owner Paul Zenisek. Whether you’re a hardcore gamer or a total n00b, there’s bound to be something here for you.

Readers’ Choice: GameStop

Best Place to Buy a Gift

Gumball Boutique
158 13th Ave. NE, Minneapolis
612-568-5813
gumballboutique.com

Nearly everything in Gumball Boutique, Ann Meyers’ five-year-old Northeast store, is either vintage or was created by local artists and makers—and nearly everything is something we want to own. Alongside handmade soaps and bath bombs, candles and essential oils—even beard oil for the lumbersexual in your life—you’ll find covetable jewelry, gorgeous prints and pottery, quirky clutches, and adorable baby onesies claiming hometown pride. A highlight of the shop is Meyers’ own work: She upcycles old T-shirts and other clothing items into super cool dresses and skirts, many touting local bands, bars, and sports teams.

Best Thrift Store

Empty the Nest
8812 Seventh Ave. N., Golden Valley
763-544-0106
emptythenest.net

Empty the Nest takes the best aspects of the resale world and adds its own spin: It’s nicer than a thrift store, cheaper than a vintage store, and about the size of a small antique mall. The inventory primarily consists of items left over after elderly folks move from their homes into senior care centers. Empty the Nest donates

some and resells the rest. Here you’ll find antique furniture, kitchenware, jewelry, rollerblades, and more. They’re open Saturday through Monday and sell about 70 percent of their inventory each week, so you’ll rarely see the same thing twice. Beat the crowd before they open for the weekend by looking for Empty the Nest on Craigslist and OfferUp.

Readers’ Choice: Unique Thrift Store

Best Toy Store

Tomodachi
316 North Garden, Mall of America,
Bloomington
952-582-1739
1595 MN Hwy. 36, Rosedale Shopping
Center, Roseville
651-631-1777

tomodachi.us

Entering a Tomodachi is like being hugged by a kawaii rainbow. These shops specialize in Japanese toys and treats, though their boutiques in the Mall of America and Rosedale showcase a much wider range of items. Beyond Pusheen plushies and Hello Kitty, there’s LED bunny lights that would be adorable in a kid’s room, vinyl dolls and blind boxes celebrating pop-culture shows like *The Simpsons* and *Bob’s Burgers*, and sticker and magnet collections that would look badass on a laptop or guitar case. These Minnesota branches in the worldwide chain often showcase and host events featuring local artists.

Best Weekend Getaway

LaCrosse, Wisconsin
cityoflacrosse.org

Part of the fun of a weekend in LaCrosse is getting there. As you travel four hours southeast, you’ll have plenty of reasons to stop and stretch: free tastings at wineries, cheese shops with squeaky-fresh curds, and gorgeous views of the Mississippi River and the St. Croix Valley. Upon entering town, you’ll be greeted by Gambrinus, “King of Beer,” a noble statue that salutes the world’s biggest six-pack (grain tanks that have been painted to look like cans of LaCrosse Lager). You’ll eat well while in town, as several restaurants of note offer great food for cheap. Try The Mint for farm-to-table freshness, or the Arterial Bar and Grill, which specializes in wings in a variety of sauces. There are plenty of adorable B&Bs, or stay at a luxe hotel. If the great outdoors is your thing, there are adventures aplenty in biking, bluffside hiking, and camping.

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W Minneapolis — The Foshay
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To stay at W Foshay hotel is to experience the modern-day decadence of the W chain, in the historic opulence of the 1920s, pre-market-crash built Foshay Tower, a monument to straight swing-time swank. Here, you're spared the convoluted juxtapositions like exposed brick and flannel shirts. A room at the W is pricey but chic, with colorful, contemporary design throughout. On the 27th floor of the Foshay is the aptly themed Prohibition bar, with its stunning views and comfy dark-leather seating for a romantic, 1920s-meets-2020s staycation.

Readers' Choice: The Saint Paul Hotel

Best Place to Take Out-of-Town Guests

Bde Maka Ska
3000 Calhoun Pkwy., Minneapolis
612-230-6400

minneapolisiparks.org

The versatile Bde Maka Ska, formerly known as Lake Calhoun, gives plenty of options regardless of who's crashing on your couch. Nature-loving fitness freaks can join the runners and cyclists zooming around the path, or rent a kayak or canoe for a day of exploration and exercise. Kids will have a blast playing on the beach, and there are scenic spots for picnics. The onsite restaurant, Tin Fish, offers patio seating and gorgeous views, should you prefer to catch up over a glass (or plastic cup, in this case) of beer or wine. Movie theaters, Magers & Quinn, and restaurants with tasty eats are all within a short walking distance.

Best Place to Walk at Night

The St. Paul skyway between Union Depot and Cray Plaza
214 E. Fourth St., St. Paul

From 6 p.m. to midnight, when the St. Paul skyways close, a walker within them is guaranteed to be virtually alone, save the occasional closed-circuit camera above. That leaves up to six hours of prime walk time through miles of climate-controlled, carpeted corridors, past shuttered sandwich shops and locked bathrooms, silent but for the buzz of overhead fluorescents. No stretch is more isolated than the half-mile between Cray Plaza, vacated last year by its eponymous supercomputing

tenant, and Union Depot, a consistently under-populated mausoleum to the age of train travel. Walking a story above the silent streets of St. Paul is like moving through a world where humanity's reign has come to an end, and the earth is ruled by a hyper-intelligent race of sentient HVAC systems.

Best Place to Take Your Boring Friend

The Saloon
830 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
612-332-0835

saloonmn.com

Minnesota extended bar close from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m. for the Super Bowl to impress our short-term coastal friends. Indulge this idea of very late fun: Go to the Saloon bar, which stays open 'til 3 a.m. year-round, without any concussion-related symptoms. Upon entering, the senses swim in an androgynous, amorphous soup of dancing people, sweat, affordable booze, and thumping music. With multiple dance floors and bars, a lap around the Saloon is an adventure bound to enliven even your dullest pal. Outdoors, there's a plaza with seating areas that builds into an ever-more fascinating intersection of smoke-breakers and passersby as the night goes on.

Best Victimless Crime

Book an ensemble of more than five musicians

In its endless pursuit of law, order, peace, quiet, and arbitrary propriety, Minneapolis makes it illegal for more than five musicians to play together in any business establishment without an entertainment license. It doesn't matter if it's a mellow acoustic guitar troupe or a classical strings ensemble. In the eyes of the law, a sextet is a greater noise nuisance than a three-person Satanic metal band or barfull of drunken karaoke crooners, actual decibel level be damned. Stage a protest by booking an elementary school class that's just learning some new pieces of sheet music.

Best Place to See and Be Seen

Political activism

In the past, this space highlighted fun events for social butterflies. In the future, we hope it will again. At present, there's too much at stake, and it seems that everyone who's anyone is busying themselves trying to effect change. Between tense mayoral campaigns in Minneapolis and St. Paul;



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gubernatorial and legislative caucuses; pushes for a \$15 minimum wage; protests for women's reproductive rights, gun control, or police reform, and against Club Jager, deportations, or President Kraft Mussolini and Cheese... the coolest peeps in the Twin Cities are booking up their calendars with meaningful efforts, and having their fun while getting shit done. The social butterflies are busy fighting for social justice, and they'll be setting all sorts of agendas until further notice.

Best LGBTQ Event

Daddy

[facebook.com/daddympls](https://www.facebook.com/daddympls)

The most provocative LGBTQ+ performers under one roof: that's what you get from Daddy, a queer dance and variety show that drew several sold-out crowds at Icehouse last year before graduating to the First Avenue mainroom in February. Its creators, musician Brent Pennington and cartoonist/sexual educator/podcaster Archie Bongiovanni, curated the party to start with a DJ set followed by a combination of live music, burlesque, drag, poetry, performance art, fashion shows, and any other act that's fun, wild, and sexy. A second DJ spins to close out the night. Daddy also raises money for local queer nonprofits through ticket and merch sales. Wear your best threads, but plan to get good and sweaty!

Best Dance Club

Kitty Cat Klub

315 14th Ave. SE, Minneapolis
612-331-9800

[kittycatclub.net](https://www.kittycatclub.net)

On a far corner at the edge of Dinkytown's restaurant district, with limited parking and throngs of students to weave through, the Kitty Cat Klub is a pain in the ass to get to. But it has become the most reliable spot in town to find adventurous dance nights. Its velvet-draped furnishings and plethora of pillow-stuffed side seating make it seem more lounge than dance spot, but a good-sized dance floor, conveniently located next to the bar, accommodates nights such as the redoubtable '60s-soul showcase Hipshaker, Cassette (DJs performing entirely with old tapes—sounds iffy, plays great), Deep After Dark (house), Why Not? ("Open format dance music," per Facebook), and Dark Energy (see Best Event Promoter). With the Loring, just a few doors down, now hosting dance nights in its upstairs Red Room, that block seems less out of the way all the time.

Readers' Choice: First Avenue

Best Dance Night

"House Proud" at Honey

205 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
612-746-0306

[honeympls.com](https://www.honeympls.com)

The Northeast basement bar and venue Honey hosts a lot of things—standup comedy, jazz concerts, improv, and especially hip-hop parties. They've also been dipping their toes into the international techno-DJ circuit. But Honey's greatest draw happens every first Friday, with "House Proud," a dance night that hasn't changed in years—and that's a good thing. You'll hear brand new stuff of all sorts there, sometimes even shading into techno, but the night's sound is adamantly rooted in '80s and '90s Chicago house and its immediate offspring. Combined with a genuinely diverse crowd, racially and sexually, it's a place where the local dance scene's disparate sides come together and feel like family.

Best Gay Bar

eagleBOLTbar

515 Washington Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-338-4214

[eagleboltbar.com](https://www.eagleboltbar.com)

It had all the makings of something ugly: notoriously destructive Eagles fans, misled by a naming mix-up into patronizing one of downtown's most established gay bars. And maybe things would've taken a turn for the worse, if those out-of-towners had encountered anything less than a great watering hole—fast, friendly service, and a three-for-one Friday happy hour—and its imperturbable clientele of chill regulars. Perhaps these disparate constituencies bonded as groups that are often stereotyped by their depictions in the media. Maybe they made Tom Brady jokes. That they got along so swimmingly says a little something about those Eagles fans, but a lot more about the eagleBOLT and its patrons.

Best Way to Score a Date

Uptown VFW karaoke

2916 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-823-6233

[uptownvfw.org](https://www.uptownvfw.org)

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Best Place to Take Your Tinder Date

Scream Town
7410 Hwy. 212, Chaska
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screamtown.com

By the time of year when Scream Town opens, it's cuffing season: Winter's on its way, and you're nervous about finding someone to binge *Stranger Things* and Totino's with you. Crops shrivel in the fields, the mega-murder of crows amasses over I-94, and the stench of death heightens your anxiety. Learn who your date really is when the two of you are being stalked down claustrophobic corridors by mouth-breathing corpses. Can they keep their heads in a zombie apocalypse? Will they stick with you when the lights go out and the clowns come popping out of the closets? Scream Town is one of the scariest haunts Minnesota has to offer, so hand-holding is inevitable. Calm down between attractions sipping cider on hay bales underneath the stars.

Best Place to Make Out

Betty Danger's Ferris wheel
in the dead of winter
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Marshall St. NE, Minneapolis
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bettydangers.com

Betty Danger's is rife with nooks and crannies where you can neck like a teenager. For heightened drama, we suggest bringing your sweetheart to this Northeast hot spot in the dead of winter. Winter Wonderland sessions generally start up mid-November and run through February. For \$8 to \$11, you'll score a warm fleece blanket to snuggle under, a hot beverage such as cider or hot chocolate (add booze if you've got cold feet), and a 15-minute ride on the Ferris wheel. That's eight more minutes than you got at parties in middle school. Your sky chariot will feature downtown views, Christmas lights, and even some holiday characters on the restaurant's rooftop. Not that you'll notice when you're busy keeping each other warm.

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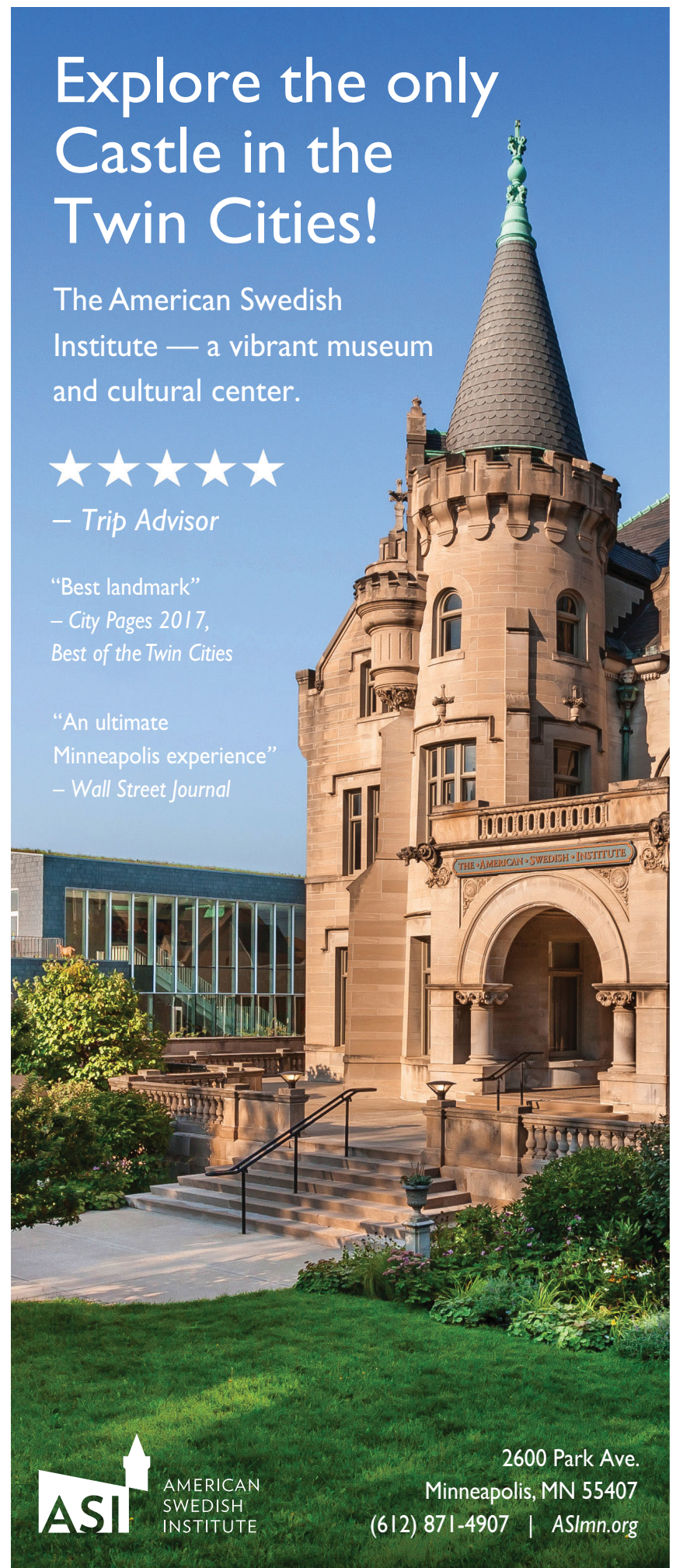
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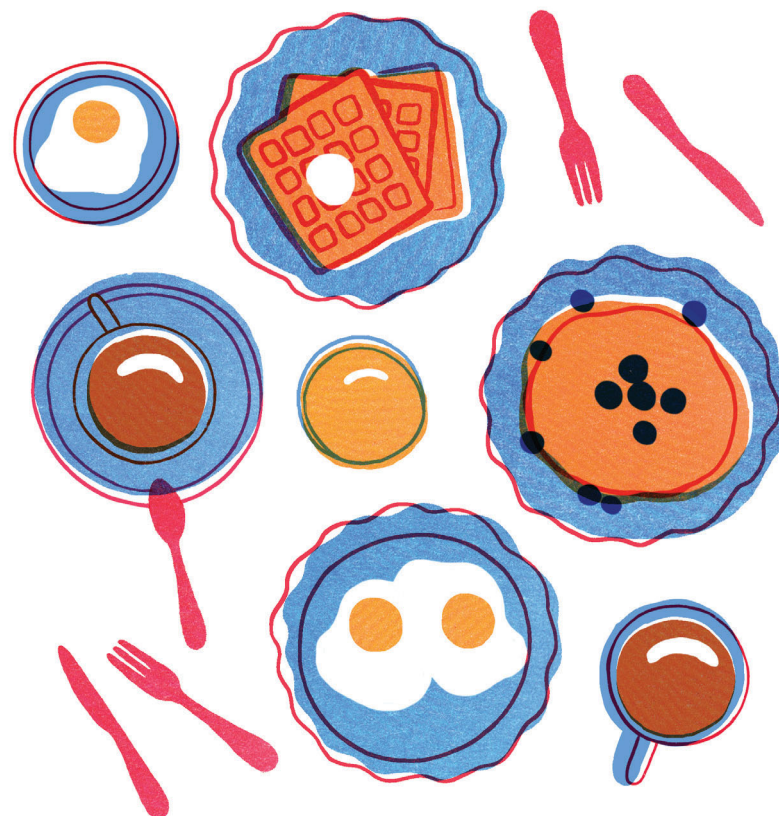
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Best Bakery

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blackwalnutbakery.com

Native Minneapolis Sarah Botcher doesn't have a storefront of her own for Black Walnut Bakery. Not yet, that is. She's working on it. In the meantime, do yourself a favor and track down her pastries at one of Spyhouse Coffee's cafes, where you can pair the chocolate chip cookie of your dreams with your morning cuppa, or at One on One Bicycle Studio, where they'll happily heat your ham and gruyère croissant to toasty pre- or post-ride fuel perfection. In fact, this might be the best time to get your hands on Black Walnut's wares—when the melt-in-your-mouth pain au chocolat inevitably helps Botcher land a standalone home, you can bet there will be a line out the door every damn day. We'll be at the front of it.

Best Brunch

Lush Drag Brunch
990 Central Ave. NE, Minneapolis
612-208-0358
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Readers' Choice: Hell's Kitchen

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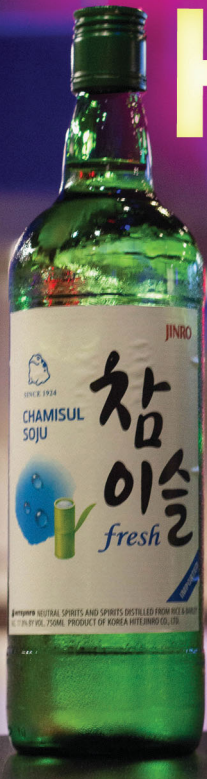
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Readers’ Choice: Keys Cafe & Bakery

Best Doughnuts

Sleepy V’s
1226 Second St. NE, Minneapolis
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Here’s how you reinvigorate a town suffering from doughnut fatigue: You take those oversized glucose bombs and shrink ’em, Mike Teavee-style, into bite-sized, poppable morsels. In truth, Willy Wonka would probably approve of everything that’s going on at the newish Northeast sweets shop Sleepy V’s. Take the ever-changing, off-the-wall flavors—no snozzberry that we’ve seen, but there’s been a Sioux City Sarsaparilla with chocolate flakes and a Maraschino cherry, plus a

caramelized, dulce de leche-stuffed crème brûlée doughnut you crack with a spoon as though it were the real thing. That bad boy is among the shop’s newer, full-sized sweets, but if you go in for the teeny ones, there’s another added benefit. You can eat, like, five. At least.

Readers’ Choice: Glam Doll Donuts

Best Bagels

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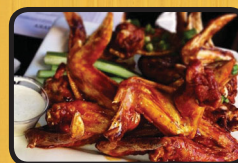


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Best Coffee Shop

Spyhouse
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spyhousecoffee.com

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Readers' Choice: Spyhouse

Best Diner

Al's Breakfast
413 14th St. SE, Minneapolis
612-331-9991
alsbreakfastmpls.com

While a restaurant alone can win accolades—awards and admirers based on stellar food, service, and ambience—a truly great diner is always more than the sum of its parts. There should be soul in the grease and banter behind the counter; the staff needs to be witty, wise, and a little wacky. Since 1950, Al's Breakfast

has drawn an interesting mix of loyalists who line up for fresh blueberry pancakes and an impressive selection of omelettes. And with late-night Friday and Saturday service now part of Al's repertoire, those killer hashbrowns can serve as hangover prevention as well as cure.

Readers' Choice: Hi-Lo Diner

Best Cafe

Cafe Alma
528 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis
612-379-4909
almampls.com

Before Alma's space transforms into a sophisticated dinner restaurant each evening at 5, it's a charming, family-friendly cafe by day. With its large windows and delectable Carrie Riggs-curated pastries—ahem, caramel banana pudding with honeycomb candy—there's a lot to enjoy. The crown jewel, seating-wise, is by the bar, where guests get a chance to survey all the action behind the counter. Just look at that absinthe dripper in the back! If their daytime prices don't entice you, surely the classic coffee and tea fixings, fresh-pressed juices, and toasts will beguile. (Order the ricotta and honey.) Come, and stay a while. After all, Alma is a hotel, too.

Best Pancakes

Hell's Kitchen's Lemon-Ricotta Hotcakes
80 S. Ninth St., Minneapolis
612-332-4700
hellskitcheninc.com

Descend into Hell's Kitchen's demonic basement lair, decorated with the macabre artwork of Ralph Steadman, and you'll discover sunshine on a plate. The stack of three lemon-ricotta hotcakes is a trifecta of yum: fluffy texture, rich ricotta, and refreshing citrus. They arrive at your table with a dash of powdered sugar, a handful of berries, and a sprinkling of lemon zest. Syrup is optional, but consider requesting a side of blueberry jam if you want a little something extra. These babies are so much more than a conveyor for syrup and butter—they're a revelation.

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Best Dessert

Sebastian Joe's ice cream sandwiches

Multiple locations

sebastianjoesicecream.com

They've been in the biz since 1984, and yet, family-owned ice cream cafe Sebastian Joe's offers more—five times more—flavors than years they've been around. Kicking it with present-day hipster requirements, this local, small-batch creamery not only serves up vegan sorbets and seasonal treats, but the classics done well. In particular, their chocolate chip ice cream cookie sandwich stands out as a crowd-pleaser. Whether filled with Minneapolis vanilla, chocolate, or raspberry chocolate chip, the outer cookies are house-baked and perfectly soft, with hefty chocolate chunks. They're darn filling, too, so why not eat half now and save the rest for breakfast tomorrow?

Best State Fair Food

Apple Cider Freeze from Minnesota Apple

We take our State Fair cues from Fleetwood Mac: "You can go your own way." But we do encourage you to beeline—pun very much intended—to the Agriculture, Horticulture, Honey, and Bee Culture Building. So many scrumptious fair foods can be oleaginous (and good grief, it's so hot out in the late summer), but here, you can refresh with a honey stick or a specialty beer, and spend less than two bucks on a frozen apple cider popsicle. Slightly more robust in stature than a typical Fla-Vor-Ice freezer pop, they go down just as quick. They're sweet, tart, and oh-so local, and you'll feel the restorative, cooling power of them apples as you wander onward, back out into the cheese-drenched, greasy world.

Readers' Choice: Original Cheese Curds

Best Burger

Revival

4257 Nicollet Ave. S., Minneapolis

612-345-4516

525 Selby Ave., St. Paul

651-340-2355

revivalfriedchicken.com

Ordering anything other than fried chicken at Revival feels like sacrilege, but diners who go generic and get the burger are rewarded with a superlative Southern-style treat. Chef Thomas Boemer grinds together short rib and brisket to make a juicy, immaculate patty that comes on



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a generously buttered bun. Toppings? Strictly the classics: bread and butter pickles swimming in a melty pool of orange American cheese and topped with two crispy-to-the-point-of-caramelization strips of bacon. It may seem underwhelming on paper, but the classics never retire. They only improve with interpretation, and right now, Revival's burger is at its apex.

Readers' Choice: Matt's Bar

Best Hot Dog

Cafe Racer Kitchen
2929 E. 25th St., Minneapolis
612-208-1695

caferacermn.com

Have you ever had a hot dog that exudes simple elegance? Maybe you think such a thing sounds oxymoronic, but Cafe Racer proves it can and even should be done. The Columbian Street Dogs at this pint-sized Seward spot aren't the cheese-soaked, chili-blasted meat tubes so ubiquitous elsewhere. Instead, you're presented with a beef or soy dog nestled in a spongy bun, then topped with pico verde, crispy crumbled chips, and an ever-so-slightly spicy drizzle of sriracha and cilantro aioli. Pickled peppers provide a pleasant pop of sweetness and color; a dusting of queso blanco lends a lovely bit of tang. They're pretty as a picture and light enough to have for lunch without feeling nap-ready moments after—and just five bucks, so you might as well add a side of yucca cheese curds.

Best Sandwiches

Dusty's Bar
1319 Marshall St. NE, Minneapolis
612-378-9831

dustysbaranddagods.com

The menu at Dusty's is dedicated to the simple, straightforward art of sandwichery—no fancy ingredients or eyebrow-raising prices required. This Northeast dive has long churned out the Twin Cities' most controversially named but universally adored sammy, the Dago, made with Italian pork sausage, cheese, caramelized onions, and sweet peppers. But they've also got a mean tuna melt, Reuben, and a variety of burgers. Best of all, they've landed firmly on the sandwich side of the hot dog debate, by halving their Polish sausage and serving it on a squishy hamburger bun (a mere \$3 at happy hour!). When you want a no-frills sammich with a cold beer (um, every day, please), Dusty's has the reliable flat top to give it to you.

Best Delicatessen

Lowry Hill Meats
1934 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
612-999-4200

lowryhillmeats.com

Forget spongy slices of bologna and dubious frankfurters. This deli offers a robust selection of locally sourced meats—cured, linked, butchered, or whole—that you can trust and savor. Of course, you want more than the raw steaks and chicken livers. You want a freshly made sandwich you can sink your teeth into while you shop for tonight's roast. We get it, and Lowry Hill Meats does too: Find a tidy list of sammies that transcends typical deli fare, including pork shoulder on brioche and a sinfully simple radish, butter, and greens sandwich on Filone. On weekends, they do a breakfast sandwich that puts the Egg McMuffin to shame (and has won our praise in Best Of issues past). Don't forget to sign up for their Meat Club while you're there; it's like a CSA for the finest cuts in the city.

Best Steak

Burch
1933 Colfax Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-843-1500

burchrestaurant.com

A modern steak dinner subverts the tradition of ungodly portions, an over-the-top bill, and predictable accompaniments. Burch is the Twin Cities' best steakhouse for this very reason: Half portions of your favorite cuts are available at a reduced price, without any sacrifices in quality and flavor. The precise origins of each bite of beef are clearly marked on the menu, so you can rest easy knowing its provenance. And the sides are anything but ordinary: A plate of sea beans and dungeness crab nuzzles a dish of veal and pork dumplings, which pairs nicely with a sauteed kale and ricotta. If the impeccably cooked steak isn't enough to win you over, the pro service, stiff drinks, and sophisticated, contemporary dining room should seal the deal.

Readers' Choice: Manny's Steakhouse

Best Seafood Restaurant

Octo Fishbar
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from the kitchen, Tim McKee, celebrated culinarian of La Belle Vie prestige, worked for the Fish Guys, a St. Louis Park-based sustainable seafood purveyor. From there, he went on to open a seafood emporium: Octo Fishbar, a tenant of the Market House Collaborative building in Lowertown St. Paul. His time at the docks has translated to magic behind the burners. Find genius renditions of toasted bread and uni butter, octopus bolognese, and crudo. Whistle in awe as one of the seafood towers comes to rest on your table, a cornucopia of fruits de mer to tantalize the eyes and palate. Lest you think McKee left his fishmongering days behind him, know that adjacent to Octo Fishbar is Almanac Fish Market, where you can grab a fresh catch to take home. At Almanac and Octo, you can have your lake trout and eat it, too.

Best Fries

The Lowbrow
4244 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis
612-208-0720

thelowbrowmpls.com

With a menu that's nearly all hits, from the jalapeño hash and bacon pancakes at breakfast to the grass-fed burgers and massive scratch desserts at lunch and dinner, one could almost overlook the Lowbrow's fries. Almost. But these hand-cut beauties are so damn good that even those inveterate side salad diehards—you know, the types that rationalize the cheeseburger by skipping the fries and going for greens—can't help but cave. They're fresh and hand-cut, thin but not too skinny, not just salty but savory, and boast the ideal ratio of tenderness to crunch. We've seen shameless parents steal them straight off their kids' plates. Who can blame them?

Readers' Choice: Barbette

Best Ice Cream

Nelson's Ice Cream
454 Snelling Ave. S., St. Paul
651-348-8990

nelsonsiccream.biz

The unassuming building in Highland Park is easy to miss. You'll only notice it by the flocks of families gathering outside, the line that sometimes snakes out the door. They're here for mountainous piles of ice cream. Nelson's practices the art of stacking as much as possible on a single cone—so much so that you suspect servers need engineering degrees to make them. That's why you'll see moms carrying Tupperware containers, for few can conquer these enormous beasts in one



sitting. Even the child's size is big enough to satiate an NFL linebacker. In an age when most companies try to chisel every last nickel from your pocket, Nelson's is the antidote. Its specialty is always delivering way more than you paid for.

Readers' Choice: Izzy's Ice Cream

Best Pizza

Black Sheep
Coal Fired Pizza
Multiple locations

blacksheeppizza.com

Black Sheep is the oddball making all the right moves. At multiple locations (two in Minneapolis, one in St. Paul, and one at the airport), these pizza pros sling pies from a coal-fired oven, which yields a crisp-yet-chewy crust with a bit of crackling char. Fan favorites include the meatball, ricotta, and garlic, along with the spicy Persian beef with harissa and feta—but truth be told, a slice of straightforward cheese and sauce pizza here is as satisfying as they come. One more trick up Black Sheep's sleeve is the Sicilian: a 16-inch square pie with cheese, sauce, and extra virgin olive oil that gets baked to crispy perfection. Buy it by the quarter, half, or whole, or grab a taste during happy hour, when discounted mini slices are available. There's a pie here for every persuasion.

Readers' Choice: Pizza Lucé

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Best Salads

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Some restaurants still leave diners with the option of 1) something huge, with a side of fries, or 2) a salad that could, with a few well-placed, angry stabs, be lifted into the air for a single sad bite. Not so at Spoonriver, where greens get center-stage treatment and six salads fill out an otherwise modest dinner menu. Each stands alone as a light but satiating meal. An udon salad has expertly balanced portions of peanut-y noodles, lettuce, and chicken or mock duck. In a classic niçoise, the fresh, crunchy ingredients fight for space. In keeping with their treatment as meals, salads come amply dressed; get yours on the side if you prefer a lighter touch.

Best Barbecue

Q Fanatic
6009 Nicollet Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-702-2530
qfanatic.com

The Twin Cities has, for years, had a real barbecue problem—and it wasn't just about the dearth of options. No, the issue for lovers of all things rich, saucy, and smoky was that they were so often forced to choose between either great main meats or fabulous sides. But once Q Fanatic opened an edge-of-Richfield location, we finally got a barbecue feast without compromise. The beautifully barked ribs bite back instead of falling off the bone; snappy hot links deliver serious spice; coleslaw provides a crisp and tangy counterpoint. Baked beans are packed with so many meaty bits they're a meal unto themselves, and for fans of that ultra-creamy stovetop style, the mac and cheese is not to be missed.

Readers' Choice: Revival

Best Fried Chicken

Revival
4257 Nicollet Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-345-4516
525 Selby Ave., St. Paul
651-340-2355
revivalfriedchicken.com

Authentic Southern fried chicken isn't supposed to be greasy—something Minnesotans might not know were it not for the irresistible version chef Thomas Boemer serves up at Revival. The crispy, crackly, subtly seasoned skin will make

you wonder why you ever settled for anything less. Intrepid eaters will relish the challenge of Revival's Tennessee Hot Chicken (guaranteed to make you break a sweat), while gluten-free eaters will thank the fried chicken gods for a truly gluttonous experience with no unsavory consequences. Though Revival started as a humble one-room restaurant in south Minneapolis, it's since expanded to a second location across the river. Here's hoping it keeps growing until its fried chicken is as ubiquitous as the big bird brands.

Readers' Choice: Revival

Best Wings

Runyon's
107 N. Washington Ave.,
Minneapolis
612-332-7158

People of the Twin Cities, we here at City Pages have strayed from God. It's been four years since we prostrated ourselves before the Runyon's buffalo wing, and a full decade since we were first wise enough to worship their glorious simplicity. In 2018, the no-bullshit North Loop wing stop still reigns as Godhead of the Drummies. Praise be to their flour dredge and the way it bubbles to a crisp in the fry-o-later. Praise be to their delicate, buttery buffalo sauce. Praise be to Runyon's. May we be smited if we ever forget their holy baskets of game-day joy.

Readers' Choice: D-Spot

Best Splurge

The "Feed the shit out of me and make it nice" menu at Corner Table
4537 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis
612-823-0011

cornertablerestaurant.com

Corner Table should win an award based on this menu title alone. Though indelicately put, the colorful description is right on the money. And speaking of money, the price tag of \$145 a person—\$215 including wine pairings—might make you squirm. We get it. This is a splurge, after all. As much as we may try to convince you that the brilliant, award-winning chef Karyn Tomlinson will absolutely both feed you and make it nice, we know that more than a few Minnesotans are loath to part with that much cash for a mystery menu. Which is why we recommend you try the regular prix fixe menu at \$45 a person first. We guarantee you'll be enticed to save your pennies and upgrade on your next visit.

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Best Sushi

Kado No Mise
33 First Ave. N., Minneapolis
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kadonomise.com

However you do sushi—fork, chopsticks, grabby fingers—is fine by us. We're busy eyeing what's on the plate: the slick round of scallop molded over a mound of immaculately seasoned sushi rice; the precious slips of fluke; the poppable package of buttery toro hugged inside rice and nori. Kado No Mise, the new tenant of the former Origami North Loop location, sends these delicacies out of its kitchen with unmatched skill and precision. Sit at the sushi bar and treat yourself to the omakase, a chef's-choice sushi dinner, and you'll feel transported to Tokyo (it helps that there's Japanese spoken behind the counter). Pay attention and you might see the chef preparing wasabi in the traditional way: by grinding the wasabi root against a board lined with shark skin. It's all part of the visual feast and ritual that makes the sushi experience at Kado No Mise so captivating.

Readers' Choice: Fuji Ya

Best Pho

Kim Anh
8586 Edinburgh Centre Dr.,
Brooklyn Park
763-425-8888
kimanhrestaurant.com

Kim Anh is a little off-the-beaten-path mom-and-pop shop, a bakery, deli, and sit-down restaurant that's packed every weekend with pho lovers looking for heaping portions of rare beef and meatballs in a refined broth that's sparingly salted, methodically spiced, and reasonably priced. Spacious and spotless with speedy service, this no-frills Vietnamese cafe is loaded with rare ingredients, like pork feet, intestine, tripe, and tendon. And every Wednesday from 4-7 is happy hour pho, when any size goes for only \$6.

Best Ramen

Ichiddo Ramen
Multiple locations
ichiddo.com

The first thing you'll see at the St. Paul Ichiddo Ramen is a wall covered in white

spoons. The effect—repetitive and orderly—is calming. That wall is a demarcation from the worries of the world outside. As you settle in, the only question with any urgency rattling in your brain is about which bowl of ramen to order. How good is the Niku Soba Ramen? (Very.) Should I add another soft-boiled egg? (Yes.) What about the steamed pork buns? (Go for it.) Slurp your noodles, drink the broth down to its dregs, and sit back in contentment.

Readers' Choice: Ramen Kazama

Best Tacos

Taco Taxi
1511 E. Lake St., Minneapolis
612-722-3293
tacotaximn.com

At its no-frills Lake Street storefront, Taco Taxi serves up the goods for cheap. You could go for an al pastor taco with from-the-spit pork. Or, try the so-tender lengua, or the superlative steak. Or the beef, or the shredded pork, or the chicken—there's even tripe. You really can't miss, and your order comes with all of the fixings necessary to whip up your ideal meal—radishes, limes,

the works. Your late-night Lake Street stumbling is easily accommodated, too: Taco Taxi stays open until 2 a.m.

Readers' Choice: Taco Cat

Best Bartender

Patrick Curry,
Dubliner Pub & Cafe
2162 University Ave., St. Paul
651-646-5551
thedublinerpub.com

Tuesday nights at the Dubliner Pub might be the most beautiful in America. There's a band playing traditional Irish music on the stage. St. Paul's finest are on the dance floor, practicing the steps of their ancestors. Approximately 12,000 photos of John F. Kennedy adorn the walls, reminding you that we didn't always have buffoons for presidents. And Patrick Curry is behind the bar. Think of him as an old-school Renaissance man. Yes, he delivers your drinks with swiftness. And, yes, he can perfect-pour a Guinness with shamrock atop. But he's also the quintessential welcoming face behind the command post, a bartender capable of



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darkhorsebarandeatery.com

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Italy to Vietnam to Great Britain. Drink whatever you want, and eat better than you (probably) deserve.

Best Happy Hour (After Work)

Constantine
1115 Second Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-886-1297

constantinempls.com

Finding a good bargain in downtown Minneapolis just gets more and more challenging. But from 5 to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, Constantine provides the most bang for your happy-hour buck anywhere in the city. The menu caters to drinkers, foodies, or even those who simply want a quick dessert with a three-tiered pricing system: Spend \$5 on one item, \$9 on two, or \$13 on a pick-three combo, depending on how hungry or thirsty you are. A Constantine old fashioned, house wine, highball, or a classic beer and a bump are there for those looking to take the edge off their workday, while the burger can be appropriately paired with tater barrels and cheese dip-

ping sauce. For those with a sweet tooth, pop tarts, sorbet, and gelato will finish off your happy hour in a delectable way. It's one of the best-kept secrets in town. At least, it used to be—this deal is too good not to share.

Readers' Choice: Red Cow

Best Happy Hour (Late Night)

Hola Arepa
3501 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis
612-345-5583

holaarepa.com

Nothing tastes better at 11 p.m. on a Sunday than arepitas dripping in guava sauce with a tequila slushy to wash it down. Sure, Hola Arepa's late-night discount hours are fleeting (10 p.m. to midnight Tuesday to Sunday, kitchen closes at 11), but what wonders await in that window. Setting aside the aforementioned arepitas, Hola's famous yuca fries and three-salsa chip spread are seriously discounted, as are the drinks. And, oh boy: the drinks. Creative, fruity concoctions will transport you to the beaches of Venezuela, and \$4

taps bring you back to earth as it's time to leave this lush oasis for the cold, wintry reality of life in the Twin Cities.

Best Neighborhood Bar in St. Paul

Bar Brigade
470 Cleveland Ave. S., St. Paul
barbrigade.com

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Minneapolis lost its Cheers when the Sunrise Inn closed in early 2017, but Esker Grove proprietors Doug Flicker and Amy Greeley brought the institution back with a roar in October. The Sunrise spirit has been preserved in the bar's down-home, you-call-it atmosphere, despite the fact that the endearing 3.2 license has been upgraded to allow for stronger beers. The place has a better menu than any dive ought to (try the dill pickle fried chicken), but you can still order 40s of Colt 45. Feed the jukebox and relax—you're gonna want to stay all night.

Best Late-Night Eats

The Uptown Diner
2548 Hennepin Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-874-0481

theuptowndiner.com

When it comes to cities that never sleep, ours isn't among them. If you want proof, just try to find an open kitchen at 3 a.m. on a weekend. While a late-night meal to sop up the suds might be de rigueur in many big cities, here we tend to tuck in early, forage for leftovers, beg the pizza guy to make one last stop, or go to bed hungry. Except, that is, if you're keen enough to remember the humble Uptown Diner. Thursday through Sunday, all night long, you can venture in for a cheeseburger, fries,

and a malt to knock out your hangover before it comes over to hang. This bustling hive of late-nighters is a sight to behold in the wee hours of the morning: Hungry folks of all stripes descend upon the one beacon of light on the dark streets of Minneapolis and feast on pancakes, hash browns, eggs, and grilled cheese—all while the rest of the town is sleeping.

Best Pub

Merlins Rest
3601 E. Lake St., Minneapolis
612-216-2419

merlinsrest.com

Did you know our National Anthem takes its tune from an old drinking song? You would if you were hanging out at Merlin's Rest one recent night, as a packed house passed out lyric sheets and tried their merry best on pub standards of yore. (Note: Not all tunes are suitable for kids. In fact, all the best ones aren't.) Gather strength from a menu filled with flaky meat pies and pasties, Stilton cheese, and gravy, plus... several other kinds of cheeses and gravies. You shush your mouth about counting calories. This next song's about to start.

Best Dive Bar

The T-Shoppe
4154 Fremont Ave. N., Minneapolis
612-521-3373

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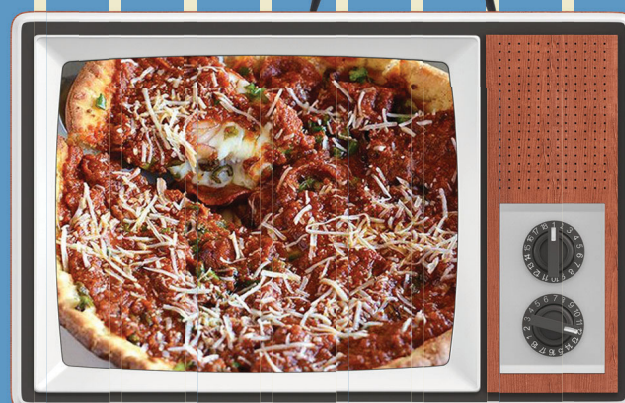
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Readers' Choice: Grumpy's Northeast

Best Sports Bar

Shamrocks Irish Nook
995 W. Seventh St., St. Paul
651-228-9925

crnook.com

Shamrocks is much more than a friendly place to catch a game. It's also the type of St. Paul Irish joint with down-home charm and signs making proclamations like "Ain't no wi fi, talk to each other and get drunk." Elsewhere on the walls, you'll find plenty of home-team memorabilia, from pro to high school. On a weekend night you might see multiple generations of a family taking in a hockey game, then the young people staying for live music afterward, while on Sunday afternoon you could walk into a rowdy sea of purple. Those who want a super high-tech TV setup should look elsewhere, but the average fan will be more than accommodated here: Shamrocks doesn't scrimp on screens. In the main bar area they add a large projection number to the other TVs dotting the space, and there's a big screen in each of the two smaller rooms. Patrons can hitch a free ride on the green "Paddywagon"—hey, they're reclaiming the term!—not only to Wild games and concerts at the nearby Xcel, but also to all Vikings home games. Before getting on board, fuel up your fandom with better-than-average bar grub—the Nook burger's been regularly recognized as one of the Cities' best.

Readers' Choice: Bunny's Bar & Grill

Best Party Bar

Can Can Wonderland
755 Prior Ave. N., St. Paul
651-925-2261

cancanwonderland.com

"Aren't all bars 'party bars'?" you wonder. Astutely observed! But some are better built for a fete, and Can Can Wonderland

is the best of the best. Come tumbling in with your crew of celebrants and you'll be greeted with, well, a wonderland of games, photo-ops, and artist-designed mini-golf. Not only is there room for your giant birthday soiree, but you'll get \$2 off your mini-golf ticket if you've got a group of 15 or more. There's even an event coordinator to help you reserve some space. And since nothing starts a party like a fun cocktail (or mocktail!), the bar whips up some of the most inventive, off-the-wall concoctions you could imagine, including a show-stopping "Happy Birthday!" drink topped with sparklers and poppers. Don't worry about getting a little wild: This kid-friendly daytime rumpus room becomes 21+ after 9 p.m.

Best New Bar

Tilt Pinball Bar
113 E. 26th St., Minneapolis
612-236-4089

tiltpinballbar.com

This town is turning into speakeasy central, but for our money—our tokens, more specifically—the best new bar around is the one where you can house hot dogs as you flip and bump the day away. Yep, we're talking about Tilt, the pinball emporium that brought 20-ish machines' worth of pure joy to Whittier last April. Not only is it an exceedingly fun (and very first-date-friendly) place to play, but the food's no joke either. Those beef dogs and brats were masterminded by the same team behind Nightingale and come topped with clever combos befitting a pinball bar. Cream cheese, dill pickles, and a dash of pastrami spice decorate Dill Pickles; the Decatur Street gets dressed up with giardiniera and black olive mayo. Wash yours down with a beer from Tilt's thoughtfully curated list of locals, which you can keep close at hand thanks to the cupholders conveniently affixed to each cabinet.

Best Bar Trend

Drinking with your dog—legally. It's not often we encourage our dogs to be disobedient. Civil disobedience, though? That's another matter entirely. After it came to light early last year that our furry compatriots weren't legally allowed inside taprooms and cafes, brave humans and canines alike responded admirably: by changing absolutely nothing about their behavior. From Fair State to Sisyphus, breweries were no less packed with furry patrons, and Loring Park's Lakes and Legends became the first officially sanctioned pup-friendly taproom in May. These days, dozens of places have obtained

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Best Beer Trend

Milkshake IPAs

What a bad year to be a lactose-intolerant beer drinker in the Twin Cities. In 2015, Pennsylvania brewery Tired Hands figured out that adding lactose sugar to an IPA could bring the eminent beer style to dessert-y heights, and that delectable fad has finally made it to Minnesota. Crawlors of Junkyard Brewing's Shake-O-Matic are among the most sought-after brews around, and Dangerous Man's ongoing milkshake IPA series has added another gold star to the Northeast destination's pedigree. Velvety and incredibly fruity, it might just be the variation that finally universalizes the IPA to drinkers of every stripe.

Best Taproom

Wild Mind Artisan Ales

6031 Pillsbury Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-345-4514

wildmindales.com

The crew at Wild Mind Artisan Ales have turned a commercial car wash in south Minneapolis' industrial beehive into an oasis. Pull up a boulder on their manicured lawn or split a food truck empanada with your basenji in the shade of their picnic umbrellas. Inside is a sprawling but cozy communal space where you can even look into brewer Mat Waddell's fermentory and see what spontaneous madness he's cooking up in his coolship. And Waddell actually cultures some of his yeast from microbes in the air, which makes Wild Mind the only taproom where you can literally taste the neighborhood.

Readers' Choice: Surly Brewing Co.

Best Beer Selection in a Bar

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Quantity is often confused for quality, but in the case of beer lists, the two are in no way synonymous. What's the point of having 100 tap lines if you can't discern what's worth buying? Chatterbox Pub is a beer nerd's oasis. They quietly support the Twin Cities' most exciting rotating tap list in their largely fanfare-free Midtown Minneapolis neighborhood, where, in addition to a run of bar-exclusive local

brews, they also recruit some of the best barrel-aged, sour, and limited-run beers available in the market. Did Insight just release something you can't track down anywhere else in town? Stop by Chatterbox, and you're likely to find it pouring.

Best Brewery

Fair State Brewing Cooperative
2506A Central Ave. NE, Minneapolis
612-444-3209

fairstate.coop

When Fair State opened a second production facility in St. Paul in late 2016, you knew they were poised to take over the local beer scene. The only beermaker with a flag planted in each of the Twin Cities, Fair State was originally known for a proficiency with wild fermentation. But now that head brewer Niko Tonks has more production capacity to work with, he's proving his mastery in IPAs (Mirror Universe), stouts (Giantsbane), and even grisettes (Pomp Fake). His shining achievement remains the Fair State Pils, a perfectly pale pilsner that would seem simple if not for its brilliance.

Best New Brewery

Barrel Theory

248 E. Seventh St., St. Paul
651-600-3422

barreltheory.com

Barrel Theory's rookie season is Wilt Chamberlain in '60. Teemu Selänne in '93. Ichiro Suzuki in '01. After only one year in business, the St. Paul brewery owns four of the top 50 rated Minnesota beers on Beer Advocate, most notably the double dry-hopped version of their New England IPA, Rain Drops, which has become a must-try for beer tourists. But because founders Brett Splinter, Timmy Johnson, and Todd Tibesar believe in a consistent, balanced approach to greatness, Barrel Theory also boasts the best Berliner weisses in the state (such as Purple Lamborghini and Key Sublime) as well as an impressive run of stouts (including Maple Barrel Aged Threat Level Midnight, which was awarded Best Beer at this year's Winterfest).

Best Suburban Brewery

Lupulin Brewing

570 Humboldt Dr., Big Lake
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state communities, and the smart ones have evolved to position themselves as far-flung destination beer stops. No brewery outside the Twin Cities is worth traveling for more than Lupulin, which, unlike many mediocre predecessors, has risen on the shoulders of a standout IPA program. Resin Rapture, Citridiculous, Blissful Ignorance, and above all others, Hooey—the legacy of Big Lake is being written in hop powder, and the quill is in Lupulin’s hands.

Best Beer

Modist Dreamyard
505 N. Third St., Minneapolis
612-454-0258

modistbrewing.com

Never has Modist’s industry-defying mash filter been better put to use than when the brew team crafted their opulent American IPA: Dreamyard. The 100 percent wheat-and-oats-malt bill makes the beer incredibly soft, which plays right in with the squishy fruit notes coming from the abundance of Citra, Bravo, and Ella hops. Yes, haze is overdone, and New England IPAs may soon be lost to the annals of beer history. But Dreamyard is a bona fide paradigm shifter that deserves its moment atop the hill.

Readers’ Choice: Surly Furious

Best Beer (Limited Release)

Insight Double Barrel-Aged Gravity Well
2821 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
612-722-7222

insightbrewing.com

This year, Insight Brewing’s annual barrel-aged birthday beer came in nine different variants, all of which were released at November’s “A Trip Around the Sun 3” party. The Double Barrel was the standout of the class, combining the spice of Wyoming Bourbon and the earthiness of Bulleit Rye. The whiskeys enhance the malt in the base stout, adding smoke, wood, and vanilla. At 12 percent ABV, there’s less heat than you’d expect, and the Madagascar vanilla variant has even more sweetness for those who don’t take their whiskey beers straight up.

Best Cocktails

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Readers' Choice: Marvel Bar

Best Martini

The Monte Carlo
219 Third Ave. N., Minneapolis
612-333-5900

montecarломn.com

Making the perfect martini is an artform. (Making a bad martini is a crime against

humanity.) The good folks at the Monte Carlo in the North Loop have fine-tuned theirs thanks to a century of practice—they opened in 1906. Sipping one on the spacious patio during a sunny day will cause you to question why you bother drinking anywhere else. This won't be a run-of-the-mill martini experience. Outdoor service is done with a flourish, as your server dramatically flings the ice cubes chilling your glass into the bushes, pours a few drams of delicious liquor for you, and leaves the rest inside the shaker at the table, keeping it cold while you down the first half. By the time you get around to pouring the rest, you're feeling no pain, convinced you somehow got two martinis for the price of one. Or four for the price of two, since the Monte Carlo's are so good it's impossible to stop at one.

Best Bloody Mary

Saint Dinette
261 E. Fifth St., St. Paul
651-800-1415

saintdinette.com

The bloody Mary at Saint Dinette is quite good—it's a just-right, savory-spicy little

drink that could handily hold its own as the Twin Cities' best. But we're here to talk about the garnish: a tiny, adorable everything bagel made in-house by chef Adam Eaton (who will soon, blessedly, serve up full-sized versions on the regular at a standalone deli and bagel shop in Minneapolis). It's that delightful little carb creation that makes this a bloody worth rolling out of bed for in the morning. And you should roll quickly, if you can: Once Saint Dinette sells out of these, that's the end of 'em for the day.

Readers' Choice: Hell's Kitchen

Best Margarita

Nico's Taco & Tequila Bar
2516 Hennepin Ave. S., Minneapolis
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nicostacobar.com

Margaritas are practically mandatory if you're eating good Mexican food—but drink too many of the premixed variety often found at bars, and you'll wind up with heartburn (or in diabetic shock). That's not the case with the concoctions at Nico's Taco & Tequila Bar. At this quaint little Uptown

destination, located in a house that's been converted into a restaurant, the drinks are every bit as fresh as the salsa and guac. La Casita (a.k.a. the house margarita) is a simple but delicious combo of fresh lime juice, organic agave nectar, and white tequila. It's an unbeatable mix of sweet, tart, salty, and refreshing. Other varieties add unique flavors to the classic drink, from muddled cucumber to chili peppers to raspberry liqueur to smoked sage.

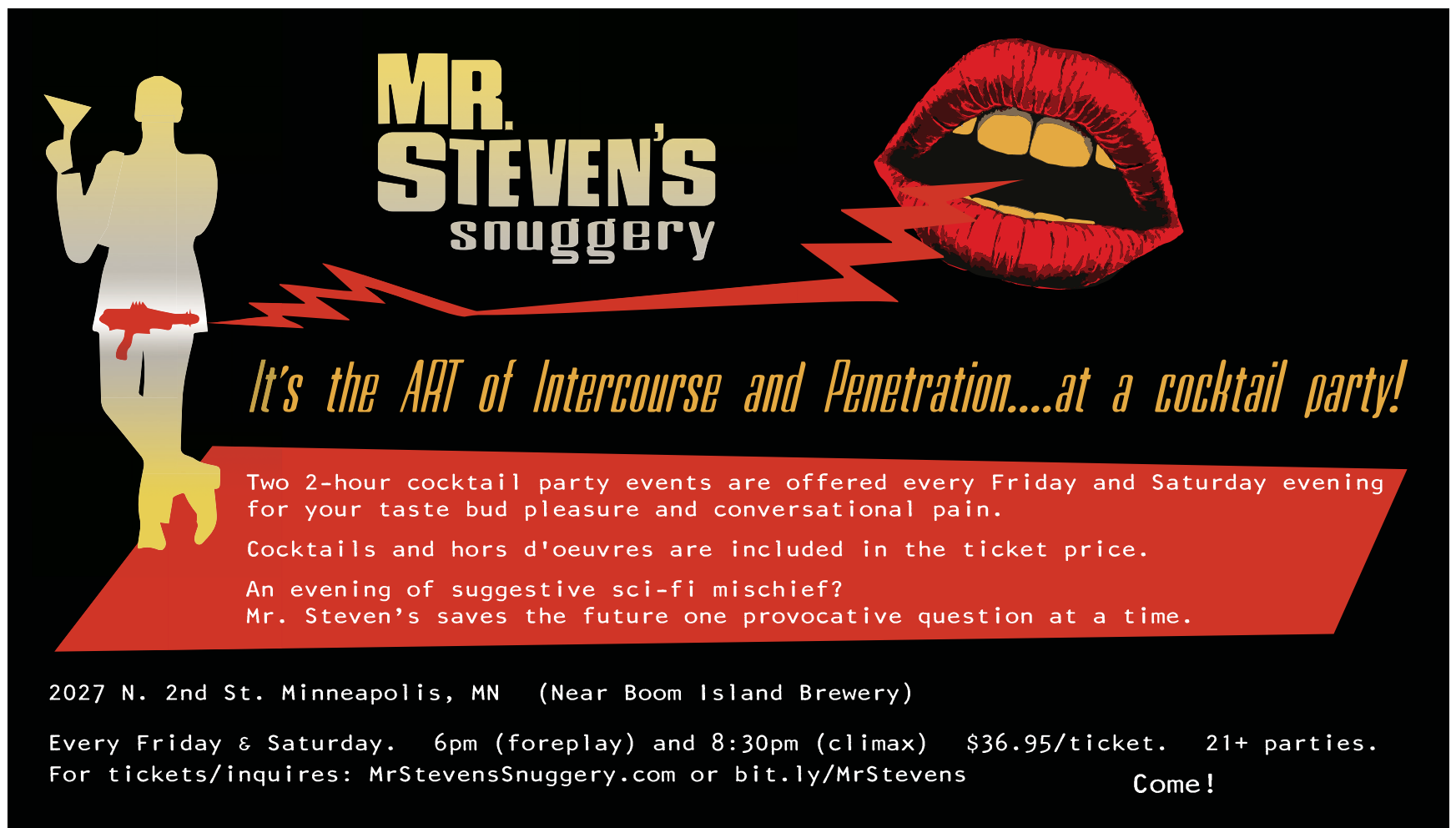
Readers' Choice: Barrio

Best Speakeasy

Young Joni's back bar
165 13th Ave. NE, Minneapolis
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youngjoni.com

With the speakeasy boom hitting the Twin Cities, there's no shortage of stylish, tucked-away, semi-secret drinking spaces. What are you looking for in your cocktail lounge of choice? Because step one is to look—at Young Joni's back bar, for example, you first have to find the red light in the alley. Inside, thanks to the cabin-like decor—kitschy wallpaper, wooden furniture, and green



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zippsliquors.com

With the emergence of the bottle shop, the cut-rate liquor store has fallen out of favor. Many a budget booze shop has folded to temptation, transforming into a fancy craft beer store. Not Zipp's. The Seward stalwart has persisted through the sea change since opening in 1961, never compromising on quality or cost. Not only do they boast an impressive craft beer cellar, but their prices are well below those of specialty shops. Need a bomber of a freshly released sour ale and an \$8 handle of plastic-bottle bourbon? Make one stop, and make it Zipp's.

Readers' Choice: Surdyk's Liquor and Cheese Shop

Best Distillery

Copperwing Distillery
6409 Cambridge St., St. Louis Park
612-293-6157

copperwingdistillery.com

You'd have a hard time finding three more unlikely candidates to start their own distillery than Kyle Kettering, Chris Palmisano, and Brian Idelkope. Two engineers (Kettering and Palmisano) and a family physician (Idelkope) hatched an idea for the first microdistillery and cocktail room in St. Louis Park in 2014, and opened Copperwing last March. The warm, intimate room specializes in custom cocktails that take advantage of their distinctive spirits: whiskey, vodka, gin, and vodskey—a clear bourbon mash distilled like a vodka instead of being aged in a barrel. Nearly all ingredients are locally sourced, even the Minnesota white oak for the barrels. And the appeal extends beyond the delectable cocktails crafted behind the bar. They have live local music every Wednesday, distillery tours that provide a glimpse into their creative process, and free mixology classes. Copperwing Distillery has already put plenty of spirit into St. Louis Park, and it should only get better with age.

Readers' Choice: Tattersall Distilling

Best Drunk Food

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Nothing soaks up residual booze while replenishing your energy stores like a Croque Madame—the glorious, buttery, bechamel-soaked French sandwich that marries ham, egg, and cheese in one hangover-crushing punch. Modern Times makes a mean if nontraditional one, stacking a slab of grilled ham and gooey gruyere on house-made brioche (or gluten-free bread, if you prefer), before topping it off with a pair of poached eggs. And they don't stop there—the eggs benny-esque Croque John Paul lets you put bacon and hollandaise in the mix, vegetarians can go for the grilled spinach and tomato Croque Benedict, and there's a Croque Monsieur on the menu for the yolk-averse. Having one of those can't-get-out-of-bed-until-four kind of hangovers? Not to worry: The Powderhorn cafe serves brunch 'til 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. (Just bring your shades, because that neon-green paint job can be rough on bloodshot eyes.)



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City Pages doesn't have a Best Twin Cities Takeover category, but if we did, Hot Indian Foods could handily earn that accolade, too. Since hitting the streets in a food truck in 2013, the approachable Indian fusion eatery has opened a stationary home at Midtown Global Market, landed a stall at Target Field, and will soon bring roti-wrapped chicken tikka and Aloo gobi to both the Minneapolis skyway and the Mall of America. No surprise: We're a budget-conscious people, and where else does your five- or ten-spot unlock more flavorful delights? Crispy, secret spice-flecked Indi Frites are delivered posthaste for a fiver; that ten furnishes a trio of Indi Tacos or Mini Rice Bowls that are mini in name only. The brave and extra frugal among us can even show off a Bollywood dance move to save an additional dollar off their order. (We recommend a thrifty thumka—the hip-shimmy's simple and subtle enough even for penny pinchers with two left feet.)

Best Lunch

Kramarczuk's
 215 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis
 612-379-3018

kramarczucs.com

To be a good lunch spot, you'll need some combination of swift service, wolf-able platters of filling food, and reasonable prices. To be a truly excellent lunch spot—the best, even—you'll need all three, plus a convenient location and a name no one will forget when the noontime hunger daze hits. For instance: "Kramarczuk's." This Northeast deli-cafeteria combo lies just across the river from downtown Minneapolis, and in addition to street parking, it boasts a cute little parking lot for your midday excursion. Trot your empty belly in and grab a tray, then slide it down the line, old-school lunchroom style, loading it up with hearty plates of pierogi, cabbage rolls, and Ukrainian meatballs with potatoes and mushroom gravy. If lighter fare is more your deal, order up a sandwich and soup or salad. If it's not at all your deal, gaze upon the rotating case of cakes and custards and snag yourself an eye-popping portion of house-made dessert. It's quick, it's cheap, and you'll feel good keeping a Minneapolis institution in business.

Readers' Choice: Cafe Latte

Best Food Truck

The Curious Goat
thecuriousgoatmpls.com

You've probably heard of milk and honey referred to as the food of the gods. Did you know the milk they're talking about is goat's milk? It's true. In Greek mythology, Zeus was nursed by a goat after his mother left him in a cave to stop his father from eating him. Luckily, we don't have to endure any such trials to obtain that precious combination: The most delicious possible version is available all year round from a bright orange truck. The Curious Goat's signature item, deep-fried goat cheese curds with honey dipping sauce, are alone worth trekking across town for. Beyond the curds, we've never been disappointed by an offering from the oft-changing, seasonal menu. A recent fish torta featured mahi mahi on soft but sturdy bread, topped with a bright, citrusy slaw that was almost enough to conjure spring weather. Curious? The Goat is now easier than ever to find, as it's regularly parked outside Modist Brewing in the North Loop.

Readers' Choice: World Street Kitchen

Best Place to Eat with Your Kids

Tiny Diner
 1024 E. 38th St., Minneapolis
 612-767-3322
tinydiner.com

Even for the most intrepid parents, it only takes one epic disaster with projectile mayonnaise or a toddler-on-toddler food fight to swear off restaurant entirely until the kids hit double digits. So what's Tiny Diner's magic formula? There's the tasty, affordable, and wholesome \$5 menu for the under-12s. If you've never seen a pea cross your kindergartner's mouth, the mac and cheese with peas works like a charm. Add the idyllic vegetable garden, where children can frolic while the adults sip wine and attempt an actual conversation, and you've got a real hit for parents and progeny. Oh, and there's homemade soft serve.

Best Gluten-Free Menu

Sift Gluten Free
 4557 Bloomington Ave., Minneapolis
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Best Vegan

J. Selby's
169 N. Victoria St., St. Paul
651-222-3263
jsselbys.com

Since its much-anticipated 2017 opening, J. Selby's has been making plant-based eating approachable, with vegan versions of bar food snacks like beer-battered cauliflower wings and nachos made with soy chorizo and dairy-free nacho "cheeze." Other popular items take their cues from fast food: The Dirty Secret is a Big Mac ringer made with two Herbivorous Butcher "beaf" patties, special sauce, lettuce, cheeze, pickles, and onions on a sesame seed bun. There's also more traditional vegan fare including vegetable-packed bowls, salads, and soups. For dessert, go with the SoyClone, creamy soy soft serve blended with your choice of mix-ins like house-made brownies or chocolate chip cookies.

Best Vegetarian

Birchwood Cafe
3311 E. 25th St., Minneapolis
612-722-4474
birchwoodcafe.com

Thanks to Birchwood Cafe's focus on seasonality (they cycle through eight menus over the year), diners are treated to vegetable-focused food that often just so happens to be entirely meatless. At brunch, go with a vegetable-packed scramble or quiche. For lunch or dinner, the thoughtfully composed salads can stand on their own, or you can add marinated tempeh for a tasty protein boost. The seasonal hand pie, made with a tender cream cheese pastry wrapped around a vegetable filling, is a comfort food even the most dedicated carnivore can get behind. Other dishes offer well-executed vegetarian substitutions—the signature Birchwood burger can be

ordered with a black bean quinoa patty that pairs nicely with the house-made ketchup and mustard.

Best Restaurant to Take Out-of-Towners

Midtown Global Market
920 E. Lake St., Minneapolis
midtownglobalmarket.org

The result of partnerships between community organizations, the city of Minneapolis, individual donors, lenders, and investors, Midtown Global Market is so much more than a single restaurant. And if you want to show your guests the pull-together, yes-we-can, entrepreneurial spirit of the Twin Cities, look no further. MGM showcases a globe-spanning array of outstanding local businesses, 18 of which have been there since the Market opened in 2006, while new ones (Mama D's Kitchen, anyone?) are opening all the time. A plethora of tempting food stalls serve everything from craft beer to camel burgers, tagine to tacos, shawarma to bubble tea. Midtown Global Market allows visitors to wander, sample, and curate their own kaleidoscopic meal.

Best Patio

Psycho Suzi's Motor Lounge
1900 Marshall St. NE, Minneapolis
612-788-9069
psychosuzis.com

Winter-weary patrons flocking to the Psycho Suzi's riverside patio are a sure sign of spring—as soon as humans can reasonably sit outside and slurp down tiki drinks, they'll be out there doing just that. At this Northeast institution, the patio tables stay full up until winter rolls around again. What distinguishes this favorite for feasting al fresco? Aside from the river views (Suzi's is one of the only waterfront patios around), we love the tropical greenery, the dog-friendly environment, and the fact that no matter how popular it is, the space is big enough that a table is bound to open up before too long. Grab a boozy slushy, soak up the sun, and remember why you live here through those chillier months of the year.

Best Service

112 Eatery
112 N. Third St., Minneapolis
612-343-7696
112eatery.com

Good service shines most when special accommodations are required. At 112 Eat-



ery, that can mean informing the server you have a gluten allergy and having them hand you your own special menu in return. (Ditto with peanut allergies.) The staff at 112 is fluent in hospitality, from dining room management to menu minutiae. They study their dishes like devoted scholars: the ingredients, the flavors, the sourcing. They swoop in to refresh your drink and replace a fallen fork as if they haven't got a dozen other tables to monitor. Best of all, they make that peanut allergy all but disappear for the evening—a magic trick that only the best service can muster.

Readers' Choice: Manny's Steakhouse

Best Restaurant for Romance

W.A. Frost & Company
374 Selby Ave., St. Paul
651-224-5715
wafrost.com

A fixture in St. Paul's elegant Cathedral Hill neighborhood since 1975, W.A. Frost & Company has been the backdrop for many a marriage proposal. Fireplaces, luxurious decor, dimmed lighting: If you're in the mood for romance, you can't go wrong. In the warmer months, the leafy patio is one of the Twin Cities' finest—stick around until dark and steal a kiss under the twinkling lights strung overhead. The menu of contemporary American cuisine is thoughtful without being fussy, focusing on seasonal ingredients sourced from local purveyors. Linger with your sweetheart over the six-course tasting menu. There's even

a well-executed vegetarian version, a rare find.

Readers' Choice: W.A. Frost & Company

Best Restaurant for a First Date

Broders' Pasta Bar
5000 Penn Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-925-9202

broderspastabar.com

That classic spaghetti scene from *Lady and the Tramp* had it right: There's something kind of special about pasta. Broders' Pasta Bar has been serving up fresh handmade pasta and risotto since 1994, perfectly sauced and paired with ingredients ranging from kale to prosciutto. Sure, the no-reservations policy can be tricky, but view your wait time as a chance to get acquainted with your date. The friendly atmosphere will put you at ease, and couples can cozy up to the bar. Even if there's not going to be a date number two, at least you've had a really good plate of penne.

Best Chef

JD Fratzke
Bar Brigade, 470 Cleveland Ave. S.,
St. Paul

barbrigade.com

You'd be hard-pressed to find a chef whose love for feeding people is purer than JD Fratzke's. Working his magic in kitchens since age 19, he built a solid rep for mouth-watering food and familial hospitality at local venues like Muffuletta, Strip Club, and Saint Dinette. Now, as the general

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Best Fine Dining

Spoon and Stable
211 N. First St., Minneapolis
612-224-9850

spoonandstable.com

The fine-dining anchor of the hottest hood in town, Spoon and Stable in the North Loop has garnered us more national buzz than any other kitchen to date. The 2014 debut from chef Gavin Kaysen is still the first place we think of when we plan anniversary dinners, celebrations, and special occasions. Of course, like any good fine-dining spot in the era of fast-casual, Spoon and Stable keeps open seating in its lounge area for easy access to the menu. But the ultimate experience requires a

reservation and a commitment to multiple courses of Kaysen's refined takes on comfort foods, top-notch service from the staff, and ambience that embodies sophistication.

Best Prix Fixe Menu

Tenant
4300 Bryant Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-827-8111

tenantmpls.com

Choice is overrated. The best meal often comes directly from the mind of the chef, without any interference from the moods and whims of the diner. Tenant, a cozy south Minneapolis eatery, proves the power of the tasting menu, with a \$50 ticket to six courses of culinary wizardry. Each plate is painstakingly arranged for visual delight and flavors that bloom with every bite. But don't fear that your preferences won't be considered at all: Before your reserved dining experience, you'll get a call from Tenant, checking whether you have any allergies or aversions they should take into account. It's a chef's-choice restaurant, not a torture chamber.

Best Restaurant in Minneapolis

Grand Cafe
3804 Grand Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-822-8260

grandcafemn.com

Funny how the best restaurant in Minneapolis is a restaurant in Paris. Or so it feels. The utterly immersive experience of dining in Jamie Malone's Grand Cafe—a reboot of the decades-old south Minneapolis favorite—will whisk you off to a Parisian café, one timeless enough to have been plopped down in the Belle Époque or in this very year. Rose-tinted glasses (for drinking from, not wearing) set the mood: This is *la vie en rose*, to be appreciated and indulged in accordingly. Start with delicacies like the iconic Foie Gras Royale served in a duck-foot-shaped dish. Marvel at how the smoky sunchokes in the spinach salad taste just like bacon, and sink your bread into the lush crayfish sauce on the French classic, pike quenelle. (We've had it in Paris; trust us, Malone knows what she's doing.) Sip bubbly and sample the house-made vermouths. Do as the French do, and take your

time to absorb the luxury. It's a taste of the good life. Stretch it out as long as you can.

Readers' Choice: Spoon and Stable

Best Restaurant in St. Paul

Meritage
410 St. Peter St., St. Paul
651-222-5670

meritage-stp.com

As the host of the annual Oysterfest, Meritage has established itself as a locus of culinary delights. But half shells aren't even the half of it. This downtown St. Paul gem is a Swiss army knife of restaurants: Fancy brunch to wow the in-laws is a no-brainer, impressive dinner with the bosses is a done deal, and happy hour with that frugal friend is a happy proposition indeed. (Make sure your pal sees the glorious pile of French fries with Béarnaise sauce available for a fiver.) Gastronomes who have already explored the brasserie's classic French offerings should consider the nightly tasting menu with wine pairings for something a little more special, or reserve a duck for the truly unique Duck à la Presse experience.



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Readers' Choice: The Lexington

Best Restaurant in the 'Burbs

Bellecour
739 Lake St. E., Wayzata
952-444-5200

bellecourrestaurant.com

When one of the city's most celebrated chefs and one of the city's top pastry chefs decide to open a second restaurant (plus a bakery!) in the tony lakeside 'burb of Wayzata, you don't ask questions. You get in your car and drive. Spoon and Stable's Gavin Kaysen and Diane Yang—along with a seasoned kitchen crew—have made Bellecour a destination for Twin Citians and a feather in the cap of the already charming Wayzata. Get a taste of authentic French cuisine, inspired

by the city of Lyon and carefully translated by a reverent Kaysen. Trout Veronique in lobster cream sauce is only improved by the utter perfection of Yang's baguette, there to swipe up every last drop. Never had the pleasure of crispy duck a l'orange? This is your chance. And don't miss the escargot, swimming in herbs, garlic, and butter. For those interested in a more casual experience, the adjacent bar-slash-bakery offers pastries and breads, as well as sandwiches and a "cocktail hour" menu of snacks and drinks. It's not provincial and it's not pretentious: Bellecour strikes a balance of suburban elegance we can all appreciate.

Readers' Choice: Travail Kitchen and Amusements

Best New Restaurant

Martina
4312 S. Upton Ave., Minneapolis
612-922-9913

martinarestaurant.com

When a restaurant is a labor of love, you can taste it—and you fall in love, too. Martina, the solo project from former Burch chef Daniel del Prado, makes us feel as if we've

been invited into del Prado's home, taken a peek into his family scrapbooks, and tasted the Argentinian and Italian influences that are his heritage. The result of this fusion, brought forth by his tremendous skill, is a menu that blends fresh seafood and grilled meats with rich pastas and inventive vegetable treatments. It's an experience that satisfies deeply, as only a meal prepared with authenticity and passion can. The same creative push shines through in the drinks program, where local bar whiz Marco Zappia has crafted a list of inventive cocktails that hover in the \$9 range. What better way to invite us in for a round or two, and convince us to stay for dinner?

Readers' Choice: J. Selby's

Best Transformation

Hai Hai
2121 University Ave. NE, Minneapolis
612-223-8640

haihaimpls.com

Now, to be clear, we're not here to disparage the former occupant of Hai Hai's building, the old watering hole/exotic-dancer showcase affectionately known as the Double

Deuce. Less a sleazy strip club and more a friendly neighborhood bar that just happened to have nearly naked women performing on a small stage in back, the place was a nicely dingy dive that was welcoming to all. But it closed back in 2013, and we had to wait until last year to get the good news that Hola Arepa owners Christina Nguyen and Birk Gruden had purchased the space. When they opened Hai Hai in November, it was like a warm, beachy breeze had reached the frozen tundra. The space was utterly transformed, with tropical blue walls, rattan chairs, and an expansive patio. And we don't have enough superlatives to cover the Southeast Asian-inspired food and drink. Nowhere else in Minnesota could a dish called simply "fried potatoes" be bursting with this much flavor. The new place gives an affectionate nod to the past ("Hai Hai" means "two two" in Vietnamese) while bringing its corner of the city into a bright new future.

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nothing more than a platter of phat si-io. Once, this was the kind of thing you'd practically come to blows over—especially if you were hangry enough. It doesn't have to be anymore, thanks to the spread of food halls marrying multiple concepts under one roof. In the last year, the Lynhall brought its chic and stylish take on the concept to Lyndale Avenue, while Tim McKee's Market House Collaborative united Octo Fishbar, Salty Tart, Peterson Craftsman Meats, Almanac Fish, and soon, Birch's on the Lake Brew-house, in Lowertown. Andrew Zimmern is overseeing a to-come food hall for the Dayton's Project in downtown Minneapolis, Keg & Case is inching toward an opening in the old Schmidt Brewery space, Malcolm Yards Market should open near Surly this fall—and of course, we'll always have Midtown Global Market, which debuted the idea here more than a decade ago.

Best Hidden Gem

La Fresca

4750 Grand Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-825-4142

lafrescamps.com

Did you know you can find some of the best guacamole in the Twin Cities on a quiet, largely residential stretch of Grand Avenue in south Minneapolis? You can—along with always impeccable scallops and modern takes on Mexican cuisine that are outstanding across the board. La Fresca is a textbook-definition hidden gem, the cozy kind of neighborhood restaurant that quickly feels like home, where you'll sometimes see the manager's kids greeting guests at the door and the packed-in tables swell with smiling couples every night. It's small. It's colorful. And it boasts a robust beer and wine list, which you should dive into on the patio, a streetside seating area that'll charm you into sticking around for postres.

Best View

Prohibition

821 Marquette Ave., Minneapolis
612-597-2413

thelivingroom-prohibition.com

You'll feel different in the rarefied air of the Foshay Tower's Prohibition bar. Maybe it's the speakeasy theme that gives you a sense of exclusivity, or the 26 floors of the W Hotel beneath your feet; or maybe it's the stunning view of the city, which you'll take in while sipping your oak-aged Vieux Carre, like a queen surveying her dominion. Let the vista and the whiskey go to your head a little bit, before you have to come down to reality on the sidewalks of downtown Minneapolis below.

Best Skyway Eats

Sushi Takatsu

733 Marquette Ave., Suite 225,
Minneapolis
612-339-5981

Follow the wisdom of the crowd: If there's a line of suits queueing up daily at a modest storefront in the Baker Center, it must be something special. There's plenty of sushi in the Minneapolis skyway, but Sushi Takatsu stands out for its oshizushi, a pressed style that's tricky to track down in the Twin Cities. In addition to sushi, there are excellent udon noodle soups with plump, tasty noodles and richly flavored broths. You can never go wrong with the bargain-priced lunch special, a bowl of rice topped with fish (spicy tuna, salmon, and yellowtail), avocado, spicy mayo, eel sauce, and tempura flakes, served with a side of miso soup.

Best Airport Eats

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frenchmeadowcafe.com

Flying is a necessary evil. Knowing that you're going to be cramped and uncomfortable with no more than a measly bag of pretzels for hours on end, the best self-care strategy when departing from MSP is a stop at French Meadow before boarding. An outpost of the first certified organic bakery in the country, French Meadow is one of the few venues in the airport where you can find fresh, organic, vegan, and gluten-free eats for any meal. Enjoy a bowl of chicken wild rice soup, a bison burger, or the "zone" omelet at the restaurant pre-flight, and get a farm-to-table salad or rustic sandwich to go. You never know how long it'll be until you see real food again.

Best Cookbook

Venison

Deer are so ubiquitous in Minnesota, it's a wonder we don't eat more of them. Jon Wipfli aims to change that with *Venison: The Slay to Gourmet Field to Kitchen Cookbook*, a foodie's user manual to hunting, butchering, and cooking these majestic creatures. In a mammoth 176-page tome packed with full-color photos by Matt Lien, Wipfli shows readers how to elevate their gamey kill to epicure-worthy status. Rather than fighting the natural flavor of the meat, he highlights it in more than 50 approachable-yet-innovative recipes. All



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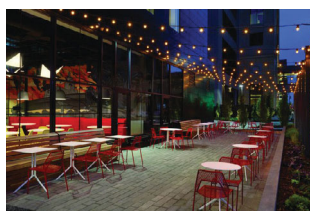


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Best Mediterranean Restaurant

Ansari's Mediterranean Grill & Lounge
1960 Rahnclyff Court, Eagan
651-452-0999
ansarisgrill.com

You wouldn't know from its humble exterior, but Ansari's is one hell of an eating experience. Tucked away in a nondescript area of Eagan, this restaurant offers authentic Mediterranean food at reasonable prices. You can't go wrong with the tender, mouthwatering gyros, served in generous portions with yogurt sauce. Not a Greek freak? Ansari's pizza is craveable, too, offered in personal pita or flatbread sizes with topping combos like chicken alfredo and spicy shrimp. There's also the ever-popular Ali Bab: pepperoni, gyros, feta, five-cheese blend, onions, crushed red pepper, tzatziki spread, and green and red peppers. Take in a tantalizing belly dancing performance while you dine or enjoy the hookah patio in summertime. Who said the suburbs were boring?

Best Ethiopian Restaurant

Bolé Ethiopian Cuisine
490 N. Syndicate St., St. Paul
651-917-9332
boleethiopiancuisine.com

A relative newcomer to the Twin Cities' vibrant Ethiopian restaurant scene, Midway's Bolé Ethiopian Cuisine is already a standout. The warm, cozy decor makes it the sort of place where you can bring a date or hang out with friends over a platter of injera. Chef and owner Reik Abaineh coaxes out the best of each ingredient and then masterfully layers on a flawless balance of garlic, ginger, and spices. Order the vegetarian sampler to best appreciate the dishes' distinct flavor profiles—who knew green beans, cabbage, and kale could taste this good? Be sure to try the kitfo, one of Bolé's most popular dishes: ground beef mixed with spiced butter and chili powder and then lightly cooked. They prepare it medium-rare, but you can ask for it well-done. (Don't you even think about it.)

Best Mexican Restaurant

El Burrito Mercado
175 Cesar Chavez St., St. Paul
651-227-2192
elburritomercado.com

Mexican culinary traditions are founded on the ubiquity and versatility of corn. El

Burrito Mercado, with its warm-weather corn roasts in the parking lot, stone-ground corn chips, and homemade masa dough, is firmly built on this foundation. You can taste it in the sopes—springy corn cakes topped with your choice of meat, from a tangy shredded pollo and peppers to an unctuous, tender pork in green sauce. Can't stay long? There's a quick-service counter for fast-casual meals (including breakfast!), as well as a section of prepared, grab-and-go servings of braised meats, quesadillas, burritos, sopes, and salsas. Attached to the restaurant, browse a full Mexican grocery with a deli counter and produce section, plus a gift shop of artisanal items imported from Mexico. And for all of you Minneapolitans feeling a little jealous: This St. Paul institution will soon open a second location in south Minneapolis, in the former Pepito's on Chicago Avenue.

Readers' Choice: El Burrito Mercado

Best Thai Restaurant

Khun Nai Thai Cuisine
2523 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis
612-874-7721
khunnaithaicuisine.com

Khun Nai Thai Cuisine is just a few steps past another of our favorite Eat Street spots, Pho 79, which is probably why it took us so long to get in there for a meal. We're glad we finally did: This simple but welcoming dining room fronts a flavor-packed kitchen, from which classics like Pad Thai and green curries are ushered forth with alacrity and a smile. We're especially partial to the signature dishes portion of the menu, where a Pad Thai burger awaits, topped with crisped noodles and peanut sauce and served with spiced fries. From the more traditional perspective, the Khao Soi brings together curry and coconut and chiles in a soul-satisfying bowl. Meanwhile, the roast duck larb tossed with little bits of crispy duck skin, Thai herbs, and chiles is that perfect mix of cool, spicy, and meaty that sets Thai salads apart. It's hidden in plain sight, but don't overlook this Nicollet gem.

Best Chinese Restaurant

JUN
730 N. Washington Ave., Minneapolis
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its cooking. Cocktails are available all day every day, and so is dim sum, which includes such fundamentals as chicken feet, shrimp dumplings, curry baby octopus, beef tripe, and xiao long bao. JUN's shareable cold dishes of crunchy pig's ears and fresh, vinegar-tossed cucumbers make for excellent snacking, while the whole steamed seabass and braised beef short ribs could elevate any night out with even the most exacting of in-laws. Szechuan dishes do not attempt to spare American tongues from complex spices that electrify the taste buds. JUN will help you get over your hangover, then put you in a food coma.

Readers' Choice: Rainbow Chinese

Best Vietnamese Restaurant

Trieu Chau

500 University Ave. W., St. Paul
651-222-6148

This isn't the first year Trieu Chau has won this award, and it likely won't be the last. From its tiny University Avenue dining room, the powerhouse of Vietnamese flavors and belt-popping portions reigns supreme, feeding waves of diners with gratifying bowls of pho, freshly assembled banh mi, and some of the best bun (Vietnamese noodle salads) in town. The ambiance is spartan, the food is the focus, and the price is right. Cap it all off with one of our very favorite Vietnamese iced coffees, a pour-over style that preceded the hipster craze. When it's done brewing, dump it over ice, and prepare for a long-lasting caffeine buzz-slash-sugar high.

Readers' Choice: Quang Restaurant

Best Korean Restaurant

KBop Korean Bistro

425 13th Ave. SE, Minneapolis
612-331-4993

k-bop.com

Since opening in 2016, this Dinkytown spot has earned a loyal following—and not just among U of M students. Anyone looking for a casual place to try Korean classics like tender bulgogi beef, haemul pajeon, and the original rice bowl, bibimbap, will find a new favorite here. The service is quick, counter-style with friendly faces who won't grimace if you muck up the pronunciation in your order, and the prices are incredible for the portion sizes. But don't think of it as fast food: These are thoughtful platings of impressive flavors, from the piquant kimchi atop the piping hot bibimbap

to the Doen Jang Chigae, a seafood and tofu stew with real in-shell clams and slurp-worthy broth.

Readers' Choice: The Rabbit Hole

Best Indian Restaurant

India Palace

2546 Hennepin Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-377-5000

eatindiapalace.com

Next to the lunch buffet—which India Palace gloriously does every day of the week—our preferred method of enjoying Indian cuisine is a tie between takeout and delivery (so that we may hide our gluttony away in the comfort of our own homes). India Palace also has multiple locations in the suburbs, bringing this singular joy to citizens all over. The best part? The “Dinner for Two” option, which includes a veritable feast—fragrant chicken tikka, vegetable curry, tender tandoori chicken, shrimp kabob, samosas, naan, and more—for under \$50. Here's to high-quality food, generous portions, and the freedom to eat recklessly without frightening members of the general public.

Best Italian Restaurant

Monello

1115 Second Ave. S., Minneapolis
612-353-6207

monellompls.com

Yes, of course: A classic red-sauce joint is always appreciated. But for a different, modern, more seafood-focused take on Italian cuisine, turn to Monello. Their selection of crudo ranges from gin-cured salmon to sea urchin and beyond. Fresh and clean, these flavors open up your palate to the inventive pasta dishes that follow. There's no spaghetti and meatballs here—instead, feast on braised rabbit and torchio, butternut squash ravioli and duck bacon, or spaghetti nero alla chitarra with rock shrimp. Round out your meal with a selection from the comprehensive wine list.

Readers' Choice: Cossetta

Best International Grocery

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ing still-warm-from-the-oven Holy Land pitas and a selection of injera and other East African breads from local bakeries. Next up is the deli case, filled with an extensive selection of imported olives and hunks of feta. There's also fresh produce, a butcher counter with halal meats, and aisles of ingredients including spices, olive oil, and tahini. Don't forget to grab a tub of Holy Land's hummus and some pita chips for the road.

Best Neighborhood Grocery

Tim & Tom's Speedy Market
2310 Como Ave., St. Paul
651-645-7360
timandtomsspeedymarket.com

It's pretty amazing, all the stuff they manage to fit into Tim & Tom's Speedy Market. There's a butcher, a deli, and freshly baked goods, plus the full gamut of grocery and household basics including variations like high-end flour and fancy tonic water, all in a corner-store-sized space. And even though the aisles can feel a little cramped, shopping here is so darn pleasant: Everything is clean, artfully arranged, well-stocked—and often tempting. The candy selection could be that of a specialty shop, with items both familiar and un-, old and new, local and imported. It's the same with the artisan cheese display and the refrigerator case full of colorful craft sodas. The produce is fresh, the coffee is fair trade, and hot meals are available Monday through Friday. Go ahead and get a sandwich card—your 11th one is free, and you'll be back.

Best Farmers Market

Mill City Farmers Market
704 S. Second St., Minneapolis
612-341-7580
millcityfarmersmarket.org

Location, location, location. The Mill City Farmers Market's got it down, situated between the Mill City Museum and the Guthrie, with sweeping views of the Mississippi River and Stone Arch Bridge. Founded in 2006, the market's goal is to promote healthy foods and local farmers, and there are weekly chef-led cooking classes and a kids' veggie tasting club. As far as wares, they've got over 60 local farmers and artisans selling everything from baked goods and dried beans to fresh herbs and honey. Keep in mind that dozens of vendors move indoors to the Mill City Museum when weather gets cold, making for one of the Twin Cities' best winter markets, too.

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Kim Simonsson's creepy, beautiful, and surreal pieces are coming to ASI.

KIM SIMONSSON

WEDNESDAY 4.18

COMEDY

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When we last spoke to Alingon Mitra, he had left some top comedy writing gigs to concentrate on his standup set. "The idea was to focus on the act as much as possible," he explains. "I think I've made great progress booking more clubs in New York City and developing material that really matches my voice." The son of Indian immigrants, Mitra was born in Kentucky and raised in Massachusetts. "I don't think I was a funny kid, but I

did have a sense of humor," he recalls. "I liked doing oral reports and book reports in front of the class, and I always injected a lot of humor into those." In college, he began writing for the Harvard Lampoon at the behest of his roommate. "I didn't know the Lampoon at all," he says. "My roommate was a big fan and a comedy nerd." While writing for the venerable humor magazine helped build confidence in his writing, he wanted to perform comedy. He just didn't know how to go about it. "I would have done standup in college, but back then it seemed like such an alien world." Mitra hopes to finish

building his hour soon so he can record a one-hour special. 18+. 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday; 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. \$15-\$18. 708 N. First St., Minneapolis; 612-338-6393. **Through Saturday —P.F. WILSON**

THURSDAY 4.19

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In late March, TU Dance and Bon Iver shared *Come Through*, a work in progress. The piece featured choreography by dance company co-founder Uri Sands, and music

by Grammy winner Justin Vernon. Kate Nordstrum, who produced the collaboration for the Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra's Liquid Music Series, called the sold-out performances a hopeful reflection relevant in today's cultural climate. The 90-minute work officially premieres this weekend at the Palace Theatre in St. Paul during, again, four sold-out engagements, with nine dancers performing with live music from the band. "Both Uri and Justin make work that reaches deeply inside of you, to the core of

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party filled with flower-themed activities and a cash bar. Join artist Emma Freeman in making cool art prints out of natural material, and take a mini tour with stops at the museum's most floral-themed works. There will also be some sneak peeks of Art in Bloom, a multi-day festival in which florists create pieces inspired by iconic art in the galleries. Pose in the photobooth for a momento to take home, and make your own May Day basket. Folks who sign up to be a Mia member can reserve a spot to get into "Power and Beauty in China's Last Dynasty" for free, which will save them \$20. It's also free to become a member, but you'll want to call ahead to reserve a space, since viewing times fill up quickly. 6 to 9 p.m. Free. 2400 S. Third Ave., Minneapolis; 612-870-3000. —JESSICA ARMBRUSTER

FRIDAY 4.20

BARHOPPING

DANKNESS BEER DAY

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Unless you have a serious health problem and a prescription from a doctor, you can't smoke marijuana legally. However, this weekend local breweries will be opening their taps to share their the dankest weed-inspired varieties in honor of the 420 "holiday." Eastlake Craft Brewery (920 E. Lake St., Minneapolis; 612-224-9713) will have a bunch of dank/hoppy varieties on tap, including mosaic hop hash Creedence Tapes, simcoe-brewed Electric Mayhem #3, Dankenstein's Monster (it's an IPA made from other IPAs), and Sun Dogs Juicy Citra IPA (featuring 007: The Golden Hop). Insight Brewing (2821 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis; 612-

722-7222) will be honoring the 420 life with a variety of cask tapings infused with Dankbot. That includes the Purple Sticky Punchbot, the Sour Dieselbot, and the Mango OG Kushbot. They'll also have free baked goods and munchies, and music in the evening from LazyLightning420 and Hobo Nephews of Uncle Frank. Inbound BrewCo (701 N. Fifth St., Minneapolis) will be celebrating 420 along with its two-year anniversary. From Friday to Sunday, the party will begin each day at noon. Colorfully named varieties available include Juicy Lucy, Peanut Butter Brownie Milk Stout, Doped Up Chinook IPA, Conifer Crush, and the lemon-infused Lit Kolsch. Food trucks will also be stopping by, and Saturday features live music. —JESSICA ARMBRUSTER

ART/MUSEUM

THE FANTASTICAL WORLDS OF KIM SIMONSSON

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Verdant, mythical, and a bit twee, the landscapes of Finnish sculptor Kim Simonsson are populated by sweet or slightly malevolent beings, including two-headed rabbits and tiny humanoids bound in feathers. All are covered in mossy textures that either integrate them with their forested landscapes or cast them in feral relief. Call them "moss people"—Simonsson does. Or think of them as shamans. Their effect is transportive, if isolating. Simonsson's fantastic worlds are another marvelous conjuring of art and aesthetics from the imagination of the Scandinavian North. Down the rabbit hole we go at this truly original exhibition. There will be a premiere party from 7 to 10 p.m.

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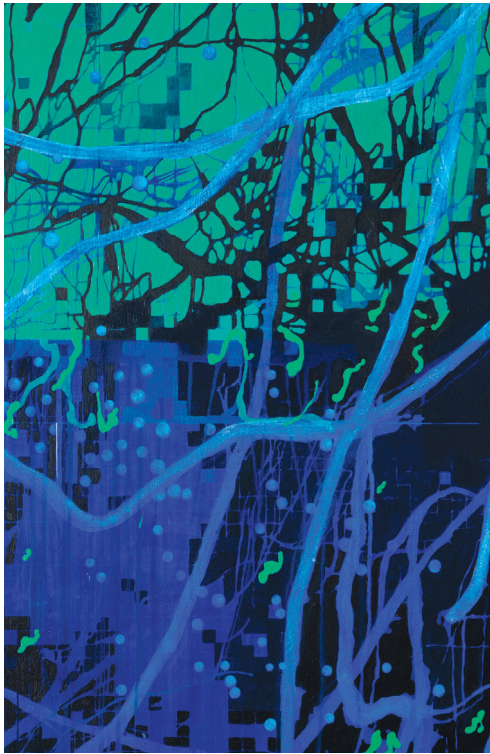
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ART/GALLERY

UNNATURAL TERRAINS

ARTISTRY

In this exhibition, Elisa Berry Fonseca's sculptural landforms, created from stacks of manufactured material, rise and tilt up from the floor like termite mounds or stalagmites. Colorful and textural, they undulate with intention, their thick and thin layers appearing rock-like with geological striations. In contrast, Anne Rynearson's large-scale paintings read like abstractions of topographical maps, conveying an environment drawn from reality yet transposed into an arresting array of color and shape. Both artists' works comment on the environment and humans' imposition on nature. There will be an opening reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 20, and an artists' talk at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 22. Free. 1800 W. Old Shakopee Rd., Bloomington; 952-563-8575. **Through June 1** —**CAMILLE LEFEVRE**



ANNE RYNEARSON

CONTINUED FROM FRIDAY ►

Friday, April 20, featuring an artist's talk, ceramic craft making, and dance interpretation by Kelvin Wailey. The exhibition is free with museum admission; tickets are \$15-\$20 for the premiere party. 2600 Park Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-871-4907.

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In his new book, *The Infamous Harry Hayward*, author Shawn Francis Peters transports readers to the Gilded Age in Minneapolis and into the fray of a notorious murder case. On a wintry night in December 1894, a young dressmaker named Catherine Ging was found dead near Lake Calhoun. Though at first she was presumed to be the victim of a horse-drawn buggy accident, a coroner's exam revealed that she had been shot in the head. The prime murder suspect was 29-year-old Harry Hayward, a local gambler and womanizer who lived in the same apartment building as Ging. The police investigation soon

uncovered a tangled web of financial dealings between Hayward and Ging, including a sizeable loan she took out from him to expand her business. Her collateral? A life insurance policy that named Hayward as the beneficiary. Though all signs pointed to Hayward as Ging's murderer, his alibi was rock-solid. Peters vividly recreates the personalities, the drama, and the plot twists that ensued during the year-long unraveling of one of Minneapolis' most fascinating and sensational crimes. 7 p.m. Free. 3038 Hennepin Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-822-4611. —**ERICA RIVERA**

ART/PARTY

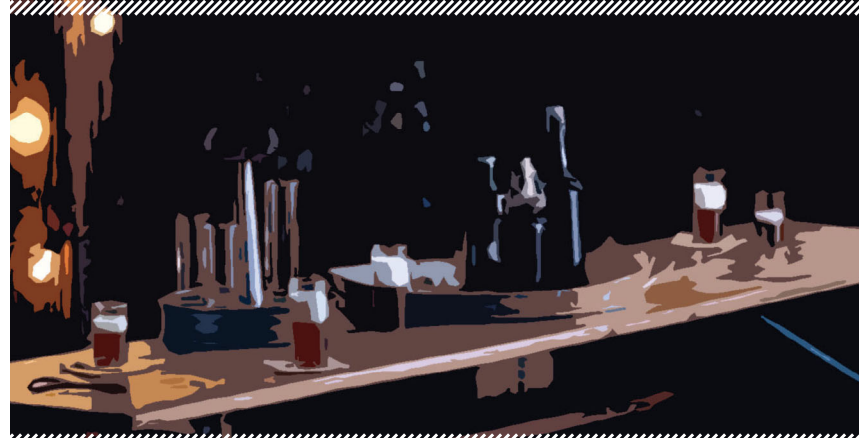
COCOON

BETTER WORLD MUSEUM

Sculptural artist Asia Ward uses giant sheets of plastic to create a futuristic cocoon for this exhibition at the Better World Museum, Paige Dansinger's art space. Ward created the work as part of her fine-arts masters program at the University of Minnesota. The piece reflects her interest in merging science and art, drawing on nature in

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curious and illuminating ways. Collaborating with Ward is Kat Moon, whose digital projection piece, *The Broken Hallelujah*, is a thrill to the senses. Friday night's celebration is also a chance to check out the new Better World Museum location. The organization, which focuses on accessibility at the intersection of technology and creativity, recently moved to a larger space in City Center. 6 to 9 p.m. (use the Hennepin Avenue doors if you arrive after 7 p.m.). Free. 40 S. Seventh St., Minneapolis; 612-801-2642. —SHEILA REGAN

THEATER

ARGONAUTIKA

GUTHRIE THEATER

Argonautika is a particularly inspired choice for a collaboration between the Guthrie Theater and the senior class of the BFA actor training program at University of Minnesota. Penned by acclaimed playwright Mary Zimmerman, the piece is a revitalized telling of *Jason and the Argonauts*, a tale with Greek mythological roots that follows intrepid heroes on their quest to obtain the fabled Golden Fleece. Zimmerman's text manages to infuse the superhuman deeds with mortal gravitas, crafting a tale rife with the action of a seafaring adventure (including encounters with nymphs, furies, harpies, and other monstrosities). Still, she makes time to humanize the flawed central figures; an exceptionally sympathetic

Third Place Gallery goes into political action.

take on *Medea* increases the tragedy of her fate. Conjuring this fantastic mythology will be director Joel Sass, an artist whose sensibilities have long transformed stages into otherworldly realms. *Argonautika* looks to be an enchanting debut for the latest generation of performers setting forth on their own lifelong odyssey. 7:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturdays; 7 p.m. Sundays. \$9. 818 S. Second St., Minneapolis; 612-377-2224. **Through April 29 —BRAD RICHASON**

SATURDAY 4.21

ART/TALKS

ESPEJOS Y REFLEJOS/ MIRRORED REFLECTIONS

THIRD PLACE GALLERY

Four Latinx artists will gather at Wing Young Huie's Third Place Gallery on Saturday for a talk on how the Minnesota arts community can grapple with issues surrounding migration, borders, and culture. The panel, titled "Espejos y Reflejos/Mirrored Reflections," will be moderated by professor Karen Mary Davalos from the University of Minnesota's department of Chicano and Latino Studies. Local artists Olivia Levins Holden, Dougie Padilla, Maria Cristina Tavera, and Xavier Tavera all participated in a monoprinting

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DANI ROACH, BEACH MARKER

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workshop, organized by the Grupo Soap del Corazón, at the Segura Arts Studio in South Bend, Indiana. They'll be sharing their ideas at the talk, and Third Place will also exhibit their workshop pieces in a show curated by Maria Cristina Tavera. If you care about the increasingly dangerous plight of immigrants in this country, and how art can play a role in borders and migration, come for the discussion and stay for the reception. 6 p.m. discussion; reception 7 to 9 p.m. 3730 Chicago Ave., Minneapolis; 612-817-2771. —SHEILA REGAN

ART/GALLERY

DANI ROACH: SELECTED POEMS AND SHORT STORIES

GROVELAND GALLERY

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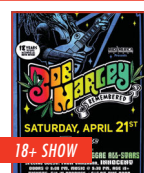
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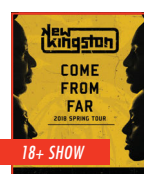
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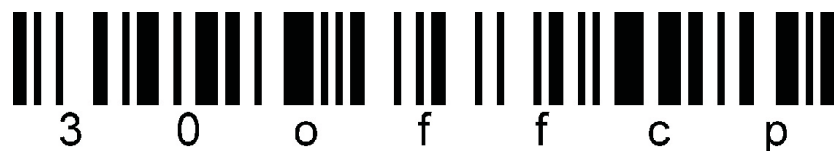
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32, WRITER AT TARGET

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Describe your style:

I like to experiment with trends but not go all in. Laid-back but love a good ruffle.

Current style crush?

Saoirse Ronan for red carpet and Jamie Chung for street style.

Something you wouldn't be caught dead wearing:

A fanny pack. I just think of 8-year-old me wearing one at Sea World.



EMMA OTTO
31, SALES

What are you wearing?

Louise et Cie loafers, New Day skirt from Target, Madewell turtleneck.

Describe your style:

I like to feel fabulous in my clothes. My personal style is about texture, fabric, and cut.

Current style crush?

Sézane, a French brand. Jane Birkin. French '70s.

Something you wouldn't be caught dead wearing:

Anything that doesn't fit well or is unethically sourced.



HANNA VOXLAND
25, PHOTOGRAPHER, MODEL

What are you wearing?

J.Crew scarf and socks, Peter Cohen pants from GH2, American Apparel bodysuit, Kiki Koyote earrings, Zara shoes.

Describe your style:

I think I'm every single Spice Girl in one. It depends on the day and my mood. I never want to be bored.

Current style crush?

Reese and Molly Blutstein, Jeanne Damas.

Something you wouldn't be caught dead wearing:

A jean skirt with leggings or a corset.



MAASHALLAH TAYO
31, PODCASTER, SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

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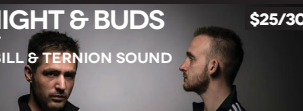
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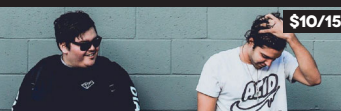
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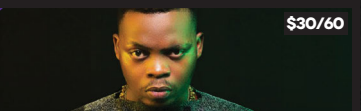
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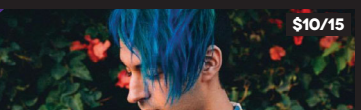
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Featuring a variety of performers and an extended happy hour. 6:30 p.m. Every Wed.; free. The Hook and Ladder Theater & Lounge, 3010 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis; 612-345-7166.

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9:30 p.m. Every Wed. from April 1-30; \$5. Bunker's Music Bar & Grill, 761 Washington Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8188.

THE LILLINGTONS

8 p.m. April 18; \$12-\$14. 7th St. Entry, 701 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8388.

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With dance lessons, followed by live music. 8 p.m. Every Wed.; \$5. Lee's Liquor Lounge, 101 Glenwood Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-9491.

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10 p.m. Every Wed. Free. James Ballentine VFW Post 246, 2916 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-823-6233.

UNDERBELLY: #STILLHERE

Instrumental set by Joe Horton and DeVon Gray. 7:30 p.m. Daily from April 18-19; \$15. Open Eye Figure Theatre, 506 E. 24th St., Minneapolis; 612-874-6338.

THURSDAY 4.19

KATE NASH

FINE LINE MUSIC CAFE, THURSDAY 4.19
London indie-pop star Kate Nash first emerged a decade ago, her funny and incisive lyrics seemingly coming as easy to her as her charming vocal melodies. Arriving five years after her last album, the new *Yesterday Was Forever* is a bold, confident comeback where Nash molds electro-pop, R&B, and even grunge into a candid and a surprisingly cohesive statement. Highlight "Drink About You" is easily one of the best songs of her career. With Miya Folick. 18+. 8 p.m. \$20-\$35. 318 First Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8100.

—MICHAEL MADDEN

CELEBRATION 2018

Four-day event celebrating the life and legacy of Prince, featuring music by Sheila E, fDeluxe, and Paisley Park and NPG musical alumni, with guest speakers, tours, presentations, and panel discussions. Tickets and more info at officialpaisleypark.com. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Daily from April 19-22; \$549-\$1049. Paisley Park Studios, 7801 Audubon Rd., Chanhassen; 952-854-5483.

CHRIS HILLMAN AND HERB PEDERSEN

7 p.m. April 19; \$30-\$45. Dakota Jazz Club & Restaurant, 1010 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis; 612-332-1010.

L7

With Death Valley Girls. 7 p.m. April 19; \$25. First Avenue, 701 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8388.

MARSHALL CRENSHAW

With the Bottle Rockets. 7 p.m. April 19; \$25. Turf Club, 1601 University Ave. W., St. Paul; 651-647-0486.

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THE NIGHT BEFORE 20: FEATURING DARK SIDE OF THE LOON

With Rare Cuts. 7:30 p.m. April 19; \$7-\$10. The Hook and Ladder Theater & Lounge, 3010 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis; 612-345-7166.

THE PLEDGE PARTY TEAM PRESENTS: REGGAE & DANCEHALL PARTY

9 p.m. April 19; \$5-\$7. Cabooze, 917 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-338-6425.

FRIDAY 4.20

TICKLE TORTURE

AMSTERDAM BAR AND HALL, FRIDAY 4.20

As Tickle Torture—the name of his kinky, Prince-ly solo project, which hypnotically blends ’80s pop, electro, and R&B—Elliott Kozel is making a full-on return with his first new record since 2014’s *Spectrophilia* EP. This show celebrates the release of Tickle Torture’s debut full-length, *Love-quake*, featuring contributions by Poliça’s Ryan Olson and Proper-T of Astralblak (fka ZuluZuluu). With Lady Lark, the Trappistines, and DJ Psymun. *18+*. 8:30 p.m. \$12/\$15. 6 Sixth St. W., St. Paul; 612-285-3112. —MICHAEL MADDEN

ROBBIE FULKS

THE CEDAR CULTURAL CENTER, FRIDAY 4.20

In middle age, alt-country singer-songwriter Robbie Fulks has developed one hell of a less-is-more touch, telling evocative, Southern-rooted stories over perfectly unfussy arrangements. Something of a late bloomer, the 55-year-old is making the most acclaimed music of his career. His latest

album and 13th overall is 2016’s Grammy-nominated, Steve Albini-recorded *Upland Stories*, a conversational, poignant collection where family ties are a key theme. With Buffalo Gospel. 8 p.m. \$20/\$25. 416 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-338-2674. —MICHAEL MADDEN

BEAUTIFUL VISION: THE ESSENTIAL SONGS OF VAN MORRISON FEATURING MICK STERLING

8 p.m. April 20; \$43. Ames Center, 12600 Nicollet Ave., Burnsville; 952-895-4685.

BILL MURRAY, JAN VOGLER & FRIENDS: NEW WORLDS

8 p.m. April 20; \$45-\$125. Orpheum Theatre, 910 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis; 612-339-7007.

BOOM BOOM STEVE V & THE KNOCKOUTS

8:30 p.m. April 20; Free. Schooner Tavern, 2901 27th Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-729-4365.

CAMILLA CABELLO

With Bazzi. 8 p.m. April 20; \$39-\$55. Historic State Theatre, 805 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis; 612-339-7007.

CUB SPORT

With Denny and Beasthead. 8 p.m. April 20; \$12-\$14. 7th St. Entry, 701 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8388.

EUFORQUESTRA

8:30 p.m. April 20; \$12-\$15. Cabooze, 917 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-338-6425.

FREDDY & FRANCINE

7:30 p.m. April 20; \$15. The Warming House, 4001 Bryant Ave. S., Minneapolis.

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7 p.m. Every Fri. \$2-\$5. Palmer’s Bar, 500 S. Cedar Ave., Minneapolis; 612-333-7625.

HOTPANTS SOUL & FUNK DANCE NIGHT

Featuring soul, funk, boogaloo, and R&B records spun by DJs Ben Mena and Brian Engel. 10 p.m. April 20; free. James Ballentine VFW Post 246, 2916 Lyndale Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-823-6233.

LUKE SPEHAR (ALBUM RELEASE SHOW)

7:30 p.m. April 20; \$10; free for UST students. O’Shaughnessy Auditorium, 2004 Randolph Ave.,

St. Paul; 651-690-6700.

THE MAD RIPPLE HOOTENANNY

Songwriter collective featuring special guests. 7-9 p.m. Every Fri. from March 9; \$12-\$15. Studio 2, 818 W 46th St., Minneapolis; 612-444-3460.

PAVIELLE AND SHANNON BLOWTORCH

10:30 p.m. April 20; \$8-\$10. Icehouse, 2528 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis; 612-276-6523.

PHOEBE BRIDGERS

With Lomelda. 8 p.m. April 20; \$13-\$15. Turf Club, 1601 University Ave. W., St. Paul; 651-647-0486.

PRINCE: LIVE ON THE BIG SCREEN

Videos of Prince performing, backed by his all-star band live on stage with very special guests. Rescheduled from original date of Sat., Apr. 21, due to Timberwolves playoff game. All original tickets will be honored. 8 p.m. April 20; \$39-\$199. Target Center, 600 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-673-0900.

SKIZZY MARS

With Oliver Tree. 8 p.m. April 20; \$20. First Avenue, 701 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8388.

TANYA TAGAQ

7:30 p.m. April 20; \$20-\$25. Ordway Center for the Performing Arts, 345 Washington St., St. Paul; 651-224-4222.

VENICE BEACH HOBO

With Little Lizard. 9:30 p.m. April 20; \$5. Acadia Cafe, 329 S. Cedar Ave., Minneapolis; 612-874-8702.

WHALE IN THE THAMES (ALBUM RELEASE PARTY)

With Doomchild, Mere Kats, Rank Strangers, Runes Av Vaskeri, the Pitchafits, and Lovers on the Balcony. 7 p.m. April 20; \$7-\$10. The Hook and Ladder Theater & Lounge, 3010 Minnehaha Ave., Minneapolis; 612-345-7166.

SATURDAY 4.21

420 WEEKEND CELEBRATION: SONGS OF FREEDOM - BOB MARLEY REMEMBERED

Featuring International Reggae All-Stars. 8:30 p.m. April 21; \$12-\$17. Cabooze, 917 Cedar Ave. S., Minneapolis; 612-338-6425.

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9 p.m. April 21; \$20-\$25. Vieux Carre, 408 St. Peter St., St. Paul; 612-332-5299.

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With Badfinger featuring Joey Molland. 7 p.m. April 21; \$31-\$44. Medina Entertainment Center, 500 Hwy. 55, Hamel; 763-478-6661.

EROTIC CITY

Featuring Lenka Paris, DJ Shannon Blowtorch, DJ Espada, Roy Freedom, and DJ Smitty. 8 p.m. April 21; \$12-\$15. First Avenue, 701 1st Ave. N., Minneapolis; 612-338-8388.

I DIG PETER, PAUL & MARY: FEATURING MICHAEL MONROE, PATTY PETERSON & TIMOTHY FRANTZICH

8 p.m. April 21; \$43. Ames Center, 12600 Nicollet Ave., Burnsville; 952-895-4685.

KHRUANGBIN

With the Mattson 2. 8 p.m. April 21; \$15-\$20. Turf Club, 1601 University Ave. W., St. Paul; 651-647-0486.

LINESMASHER 8: QUEST - BEYOND THE FISHBOWL

Innovative audio/visual performance series featuring Talonie Starr, Jorge Cuascut, and Pancake7. 9 p.m. April 21; free. Studio Z, 275 E. 4th St., Ste 100, St. Paul; 651-755-1600.

LIV WARFIELD & FRIENDS: THE PURPLE JAM

Prince tribute show. 11:30 p.m. April 21; \$40-\$50. Dakota Jazz Club & Restaurant, 1010 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis; 612-332-1010.

LOCAL DOPE SH*T 3

Hip-hop showcase featuring performances by Neon Blaque, Kaleem the Dream, Ice God the Macgyver, Khari Flowz, PIV, Young Hustle, Madeby Terry, and Aquarius. 9 p.m. April 21; \$2. Can Can Wonderland, 755 Prior Ave. N., Ste. 4, St. Paul; 651-925-2261.

LOVE 2 THE 9S PRINCE TRIBUTE SHOW

Featuring former New Power Generation band members Tommy Barbarella, Michael Bland, and Sonny Thompson, with a variety of special guests. 7 p.m., 11 p.m. April 21; \$39-\$65. Crooners Lounge & Supper Club, 6161 Hwy. 65 NE, Minneapolis; 763-571-9020.

MARCO ANTONIO SOLIS

8 p.m. April 21; \$49-\$199. Xcel Energy Center, 199 W. Kellogg Blvd., St. Paul; 651-726-8240.

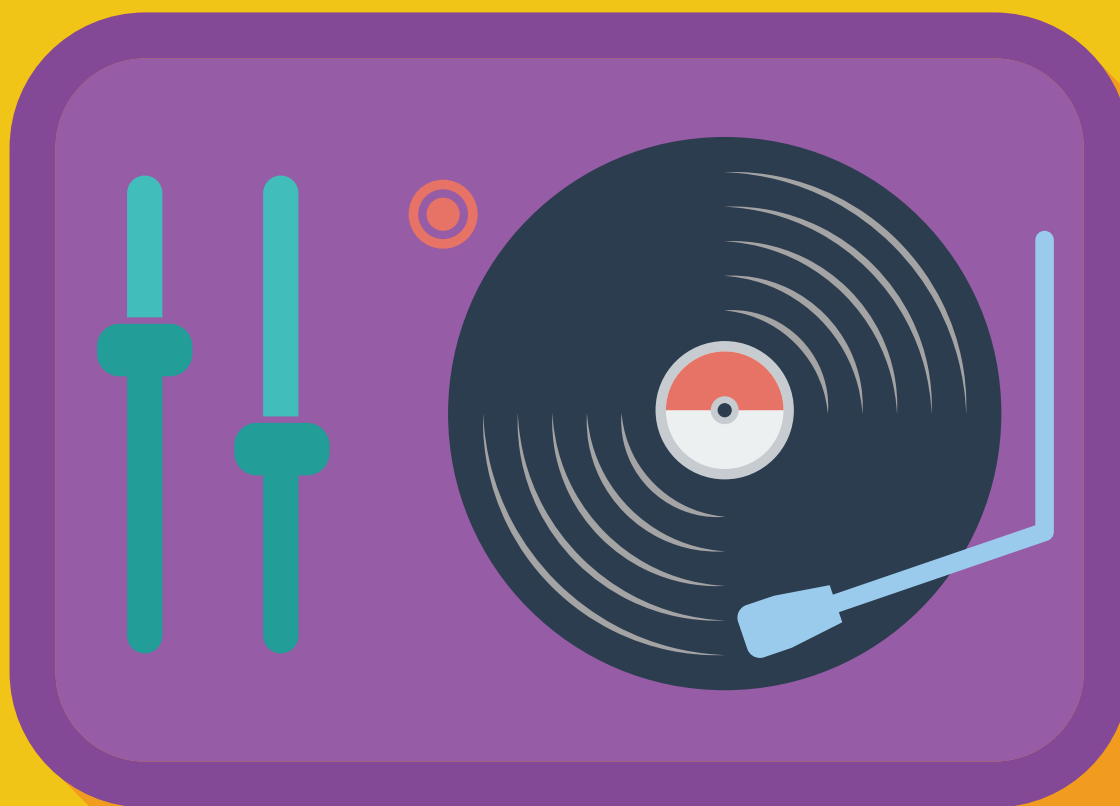


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7 p.m. Daily from April 21-22; \$35-\$45. Dakota
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Concert to benefit vision research at the
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LORD HURON

With In Tall Buildings. 7 p.m. April 22; \$33.50-
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2-4 p.m. April 22; \$20; \$10 ages 5-17. Minnesota
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ROSETTA

With Pyralis, Sunless, and Iosis. 7:30 p.m. April
22; \$10-\$12. Turf Club, 1601 University Ave. W., St.
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SIMON DOOM

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NET GAINS

BY BRENDAN EMMETT QUIGLEY

Across

- 1 Word on one of a pair of coffee mugs
- 5 Homophone of “yours,” to some
- 9 Setting for Van Gogh’s “Cafe Terrace at Night”
- 14 Follower of Lollipop, Marshmallow, and Nougat, in Android version names
- 15 Waimea Valley island
- 16 “The Neon Bible” author
- 17 Poker player’s change in behavior
- 18 Mockery of a Native gathering?
- 20 Islamic ruler
- 22 Bad note collector
- 23 Big racket
- 24 Poem about ancient wars, perhaps
- 25 Michael’s “We Are the World” co-writer
- 27 Obey
- 28 Quick clique
- 30 Boolean logic word
- 31 Dr. ___ Hunt (Kevin McKidd’s “Grey’s Anatomy” role)
- 32 Chocolate-hued heifers wax obsequious?
- 36 Cauliflower ___ (rugby player’s problem)
- 37 Cosmopolitan folk: Abbr.
- 38 Overly ornate sports program that involves pinning?
- 45 Pre-1917 leader
- 47 “We Love Logistics” co.
- 48 Affluent Minneapolis suburb

- 49 Treats squeaks
- 50 Highlight, in a way
- 52 Touring band’s wheels
- 53 Target of early-2000s UN inspections
- 54 Middle East Strip
- 55 Thumbs-up alternative
- 57 Schnauzer’s snappy comeback?
- 60 Daughter of Rhea
- 61 Electrolysis bit
- 62 Morales of “Paid in Full”
- 63 ___ League
- 64 ___ Montgomery (star of the WNBA’s Atlanta Dream)
- 65 Taken in
- 66 Ready for anything

Down

- 1 Straightening implement
- 2 Bookworm’s gizmo
- 3 Menu word meaning “stuffed”
- 4 Songs sans backing
- 5 Dinosaur in Mario games
- 6 Dentist’s chair utterance
- 7 “Where do we go from here?”
- 8 School breaks
- 9 Heaps
- 10 Time for fisticuffs
- 11 Despicable
- 12 Heroine in Kay Thompson books
- 13 Affixed, as buttons
- 19 Hang (around with)
- 21 Two-dimensional
- 26 Voice actress in “Isle of Dogs”
- 27 Searched pseudoscientifically

- 29 Says “shit”
- 33 ___-Mags (punk band)
- 34 Hardly any
- 35 Trade publication that publishes TV ratings
- 38 Trump impersonator
- 39 BuzzFeed fare
- 40 Elevate
- 41 Key near 1
- 42 Mediterranean resort area
- 43 See the point of Theo Epstein?
- 44 Superfan
- 45 U-Haul attachment
- 46 Nina whose autobiography was “I Put a Spell on You”
- 50 Corn maze cry
- 51 Go to check the mail, say
- 54 No longer in stock
- 56 Floor covering type
- 58 Emo vibe
- 59 Glaswegian’s “Get outta here”

Last Week’s Answer

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FREE WILL ASTROLOGY

>> By Rob Brezсны

♈ ARIES (March 21-April 19): In the early history of the automobile, electric engines were more popular and common than gasoline-powered engines. They were less noisy, dirty, smelly, and difficult to operate. It’s too bad that thereafter the technology for gasoline cars developed at a faster rate than the technology for electric cars. By the end of the first decade of the twentieth century, the petroleum-suckers were in ascendance. They have remained so ever since, playing a significant role in our world’s ongoing environmental degradation. Moral of the story: Sometimes the original idea or the early model or the first try is better. According to my analysis of the astrological omens, you should consider applying this hypothesis to your current state of affairs.

♉ TAURUS (April 20-May 20): The Chesapeake Bay is a fertile estuary that teems with life. It’s 200 miles long and holds 18 trillion gallons of water. More than 150 streams and rivers course into its drainage basin. And yet it’s relatively shallow. If you’re six feet tall, you could wade through over a thousand square miles of its mix of fresh and salt water without getting your hat wet. I see this place as an apt metaphor for your life in the coming weeks: an expanse of flowing fecundity that is vast but not so deep that you’ll get overwhelmed.

♊ GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You’ll soon arrive at a pressure-packed turning point. You’ll stand poised at a pivotal twist of fate where you must trust your intuition to reveal the differences between smart risks and careless gambles. Are you willing to let your half-maked emotions show? Will you have the courage to be brazenly loyal to your deepest values? I won’t wish you luck, because how the story evolves will be fueled solely by your determination, not by accident or happenstance. You will know you’re in a good position to solve the Big Riddles if they feel both scary and fun.

♋ CANCER (June 21-July 22): Strong softness is one of your specialties. So are empathetic rigor, creative responsiveness, and daring acts of nurturing. Now is a perfect time to summon and express all of these qualities with extra flair. If you do, your influence will exceed its normal quotas. Your ability to heal and inspire your favorite people will be at a peak. So I hereby invite you to explore the frontiers of aggressive receptivity. Wield your courage and power with a fierce vulnerability. Be tenderly sensitive as an antidote to any headstrong lovelessness you encounter.

♌ LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): In 1973, Pink Floyd released the album *The Dark Side of the Moon*. Since then, it has been on various Billboard charts for over 1,700 weeks, and has sold more than 45 million copies. Judging from the astrological aspects coming to bear on you, Leo, I suspect you could create or produce a beautiful thing with a similar staying power in the next five months. What vitalizing influence would you like to have in your life for at least the next 30 days?

♍ VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): I beg you to take a break sometime soon. Give yourself permission to indulge in a vacation or recess or sabbatical. Wander away on a leave of absence. Explore the mysteries of a siesta blended with a fiesta. If you don’t grant yourself this favor, I may be forced to bark, “Chill out, dammit!” at you until you do. Please don’t misunderstand my intention here. The rest of us appreciate the way you’ve been attending to the complicated details that are too exacting for us. But we can also see that if you don’t ease up, there will soon be diminishing returns. It’s time to return to your studies of relaxing freedom.

♎ LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Singer-songwriter Roy Orbison achieved great success in the 1960s, charting 22 songs on the Billboard Top 40. But his career declined after that. Years later, in 1986, filmmaker David Lynch asked him for the right to use his tune “In Dreams” for the movie *Blue Velvet*. Orbison denied the request, but Lynch incorporated the tune anyway. Surprise! *Blue Velvet* was nominated for an Academy Award and played a big role in reviving Orbison’s fame. Later the singer came to appreciate not only the career boost, but also Lynch’s unusual aesthetic, testifying that the film gave his song an “otherworldly quality that added a whole new dimension.” Now let’s meditate on how this story might serve as a parable for your life. Was there an opportunity that you once turned down but will benefit from anyway? Or is there a current opportunity that maybe you shouldn’t turn down, even if it seems odd?

♏ SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You’ve been to the Land of No Return and back more than anyone. But soon you’ll be visiting a remote enclave in this realm that you’re not very familiar with. I call it the Mother Lode of Sexy Truth. It’s where tender explorers go when they must transform outward aspects of their approach to partnership and togetherness. On the eve of your quest, shall we conduct an inventory of your capacity to outgrow your habitual assumptions about relationships? No, let’s not. That sounds too stiff and formal. Instead, I’ll simply ask you to strip away any falseness that interferes with vivacious and catalytic intimacy.

♐ SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): In 1824, two British explorers climbed a mountain in southwestern Australia. They were hoping to get a sweeping view of Port Phillip Bay, on which the present-day city of Melbourne is located. But when they reached the top, their view was largely obstructed by trees. Out of perverse spite, they decided to call the peak Mount Disappointment, a name it retains to this day. I suspect you may soon have your own personal version of an adventure that falls short of your expectations. I hope—and also predict—that your experience won’t demoralize you, but will rather mobilize you to attempt a new experiment that ultimately surpasses your original expectations.

♑ CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Capricorn rock musician Lemmy Kilminster bragged that he swigged a bottle of Jack Daniel’s whiskey every day from 1975 to 2013. While I admire his dedication to inducing altered states of consciousness, I can’t recommend such a strategy for you. But I will love it if you undertake a more disciplined crusade to escape numbing routines and irrelevant habits in the next four weeks. According to my reading of the astrological omens, you will have a special knack for this practical art.

♒ AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Germany was one of the big losers of World War I, which ended in 1919. By accepting the terms of the Versailles Treaty, it agreed to pay reparations equivalent to 96,000 tons of gold. Not until 2010, decades after the war, did Germany finally settle its bill and fulfill its obligation. I’m sure your own big, long-running debt is nowhere near as big or as long-running as that one, Aquarius. But you will nonetheless have reason to be ecstatic when you finally discharge it. And according to my reading of the astrological omens, that could and should happen sometime soon. (P.S. The “debt” could be emotional or spiritual rather than financial.)

♓ PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): “I would rather have a drop of luck than a barrel of brains,” said the ancient Greek philosopher Diogenes. Fortunately, that’s not a choice you will have to face in the coming weeks, Pisces. According to my reading of the cosmic signs, your brain will be working with even greater efficiency and ingenuity than it usually does. Meanwhile, a stronger-than-expected flow of luck will be swirling around in your vicinity. One of your main tasks will be to harness your enhanced intelligence to take shrewd advantage of the good fortune.

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Butt Stuff

Is anal sex bad for me?

Background: I, a 21-year-old male, enjoy receptive fisting. I've also had constipation problems all my life. Question: I saw my doctor recently, and he tried to link my enjoyment of anal sex to my constipation. (Granted, I didn't tell him EVERYTHING I do down there.) My understanding was that there was no causal relationship, assuming no serious injuries occur. Is there something I don't know? Was my doctor just trying to be helpful?

FEARING INNER SANCTUM TARNISHED

"There are many myths about anal sex, but this is the first time I've heard this one," said Dr. Peter Shalit, a physician in Seattle and a member of the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association.

It's also the first time I've heard anyone associate fisting with constipation—typically when fisting is mentioned in the same sentence as constipation, FIST, it's as a cure. But it's a myth that fisting cures constipation, of course, along with anal sex being inherently dangerous.

"Fisting is a safe activity, provided that both the top and bottom are sober at the time," said Dr. Shalit. (A fucked-up top can quickly become an out-of-control top, and a fucked-up bottom can be numb to feelings of discomfort that mean "slow down," "stop and add more lube," or "stop altogether.") "It does not cause damage or constipation or any other type of bowel problem," Dr. Shalit continues. "The same applies to other anal sexual activities including anal receptive intercourse (getting fucked) and use of toys for anal stimulation—again assuming this is voluntary on the part of the bottom and that both partners are not under the influence of mind-altering drugs during sexual activity." (For safety's sake, of course, buttfuckers should use condoms and gay and bi men get should get on PrEP.)

Despite the fact that millions of people safely engage in anal play, many people believe that anal play does irreparable harm to the anus—or the soul—and that sadly includes many doctors.

"There is a misconception that these activities can cause damage by stretching or tearing the tissue, when actually the anus is very elastic and much of the 'permission to enter' actually involves intentional relaxation of the muscles by the bottom"



Dan Savage

and not force applied by the top, Dr. Shalit affirmed. (The top applies gentle pressure, the bottom breathes, relaxes, and opens up.)

"If a person suffers from constipation, that should be addressed as its own problem and not blamed on any type of anal sexual activity," said Dr. Shalit. "It would be good to have this problem evaluated and treated by a nonjudgmental health-care provider who understands that anal penetration—by fist, penis, or dildo—does not cause constipation."

If you don't feel comfortable telling your doctor EVERYTHING you're doing "down there," you can find a new doctor—one you can breathe, relax, and open up to (in a different way)—under "find a provider" at GLMA.org.

My boyfriend and I just got back from Berlin, and we had a great time—until the last night. There was a dark room in the basement of this gay bar, and my boyfriend wanted to check it out and I did not. We are monogamous for now—I'm open to opening things up down the road—and I didn't see the point of going down there. I told him that drunk in a gay bar at 3 a.m. wasn't the right time to open up our relationship, and he angrily insisted he wasn't trying to do that. But if we're monogamous and want to stay monogamous, why go into a dark room at all?

DUDE INTO MONOGAMY

If it was your boyfriend's intent to reopen negotiations about monogamy while horny men circled you in a dark room, DIM, that wouldn't be okay. But it is possible for monogamous couples to enter sexually charged environments like dark rooms, sex parties, or swingers clubs and emerge with their monogamous commitments intact. It's advisable even—or at least I've advised monogamous couples who want to keep things hot to visit those kinds of spaces. Go in for the erotic charge, soak it up, and plow that energy into each other.

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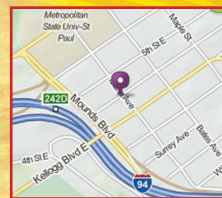


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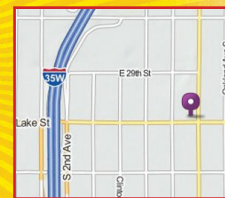
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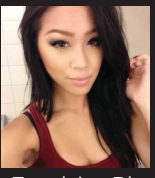
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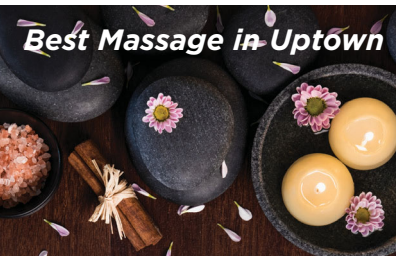
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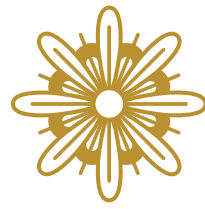
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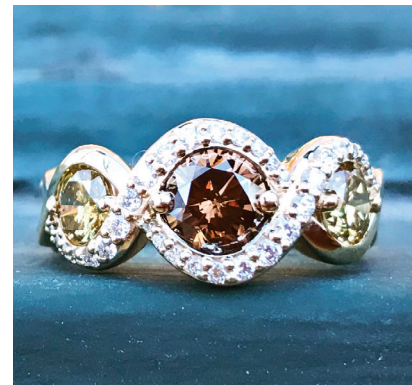






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